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THE EIGHTY-NINER

NEWS AND VIEWS IN PREPARATION FOR MONTANA'S STATEHOOD CENTENNIAL.
COMPILED ESPECIALLY FOR VOLUNTEERS WHO HAVE IDENTIFIED THEMSELVES
TO: "THE EIGHTY-NINERS," P.O. BOX 1989, CAPITOL STATION, HELENA, MT 59620

Number 1

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION STARTS PLANNING EFFORTS

SJR 21 passed by the 1983 Legislature officially recognized Montana's Statehood Centennial in 1989 and requested that recommendations be made during the 1985 legislative session on the administration of Centennial activities. The text of that resolution follows:

WHEREAS, the great State of Montana will celebrate the 100th anniversary of her admission to statehood on November 8, 1989, and such an occasion merits a commemoration befitting the grandeur of her plains, the majesty of her mountains, and the heartiness of her people; and

WHEREAS, the rare event of statehood centennial offers unparalleled opportunities for educational, cultural, recreational, and promotional activities for residents of the State and its visitors; and

WHEREAS, many Montana communities and associations are celebrating their 100th birthdays in the years surrounding the statehood centennial year; and

WHEREAS, several other states in the region are planning for their statehood centennials in 1989 and 1990, and at least two neighboring Canadian provinces will serve as hosts to events of international significance during the decade of the eighties; and

WHEREAS, some citizens and selected state agencies have suggested that planning should capitalize on any complementary activities that may precede or follow Montana's statehood centennial year of 1989; and

WHEREAS, a centennial naturally invites reflections on the past and can be used to focus public attention on not only a future of choices, but a choice of futures; and

WHEREAS, appropriate actions in conjunction with a multiyear centennial celebration will require early planning, extensive citizen participation, and the investment of substantial energy and financial support from a variety of sources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

That the Governor, using available resources and resourcefulness, is urged to pursue regional and interagency coordination and to involve citizens who are willing to assist on a volunteer basis in identifying possible opportunities and options relating to centennial planning.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, *that the Governor is requested to make recommendations resulting from the above activities to the 49th Legislature to initiate and guide formal centennial activities.*

THANKS TO MANY; The legislators who sponsored Senate Joint 21 were:
SUPPORT FROM MORE Senators Harry Berg-D, Great Falls; Chet Blaylock-D, Laurel; Dorothy Eck-D, Bozeman; Carroll Graham -D, Lodge Grass; J.D. Lynch-D, Butte; Max Conover-D, Billings; Fred Van Valkenburg-D, Missoula; John Mohar-D, Troy; Bob Brown-R, Whitefish; Tom Hager-R, Billings; M.K. Daniels-D, Deer Lodge; Ed Smith-R, Dagmar; Elmer Severson-R, Stevensville; Bill Thomas-D, Great Falls; Larry Tviet-R, Fairview; Delwyn Gage-R, Cut Bank; H.W. Hammond-R, Malta; B.F. Christiaens-D, Great Falls; Frank Hazelbaker-R, Dillon; Richard Manning-D, Great Falls; Jack Haffey-D, Anaconda; Judy Jacobson-D, Butte; Joe Mazurek-D, Helena; Leo Lane-D, Three Forks; Stan Stephens-R, Havre; Dave Fuller-D, Helena; Mike Halligan-D, Missoula; Lawrence Stimatz-D, Butte; Jack Galt-R, Martinsdale; Representatives Carol Farris-D, Great Falls; Francis Bardanouve-D, Harlem and Bob Thoft-R, Stevensville. Ron Miller-R, Great Falls, carried the resolution on the House floor.

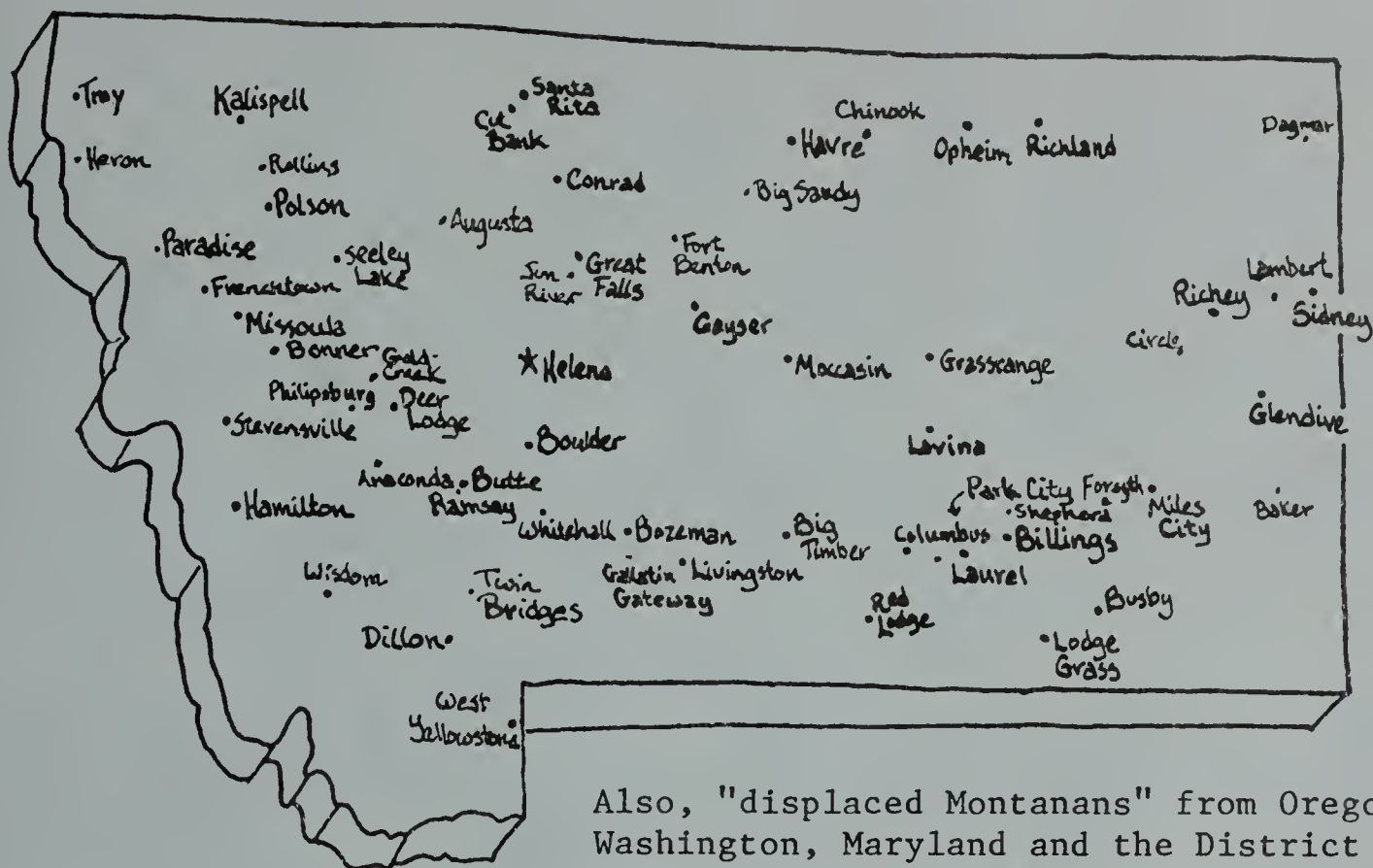
Additionally, the resolution passed committees and both chambers with overwhelming margins. It is hoped, of course, that any of the legislators named above who will be returning in 1985--any many more--will be as receptive to the recommendations yet to come as they were to the resolution itself!

GOVERNOR NAMES LIEUTENANT Shortly after the 1983 legislative session
GOVERNOR AS COORDINATOR adjourned, Governor Ted Schwinden designated Lieutenant Governor George Turman to coordinate the Administration's response to SJR21. That coordination focuses in three major areas: volunteer citizen involvement, interagency cooperation and regional communication. Lieutenant Governor Turman is assisted in the Centennial-related work by staff members Cheryl Hutchinson and Cebe Sobonya. Additionally, several state agency representatives have lent their advice and enthusiasm to the pre-planning work: David Nelson of the Montana Arts Council; State Librarian Sara Parker; Lee Heiman of the Legislative Council; Robert Archibald, Bev Harriott and Jennifer Jeffries-Thompson of the Historical Society; John Wilson of Commerce's Montana Promotion Division; Bob Anderson, Ed Eschler and Janet Athwol of the Office of Public Instruction; Marilyn Wessel representing the Montana University System; Ron Aasheim from Fish, Wildlife and Parks; and Larry Majerus from Justice's Motor Vehicle Division. Although not a state agency, the Montana Committee for the Humanities has been actively involved through Margaret Kingsland and Jerry Fetz.

"EIGHTY-NINERS" CREATED One of the first acts of Lt. Governor Turman when given the Centennial assignment was to create "The Eighty-Niners" and to invite any volunteer to join. Through mailings, not meetings, the "Eighty-Niners" are helping to identify the opportunities and options for legislative consideration. Individuals, schools, communities, organizations and others are welcome to become members.

"EIGHTY-NINERS" ARE
YOU AND YOUR NEIGHBORS

As of October 9, you number 240 plus!
59 Montana communities are represented in
"The Eighty-Niners," as the map below
shows:



Also, "displaced Montanans" from Oregon, Washington, Maryland and the District of Columbia have rekindled their ties to the Big Sky Country by joining.

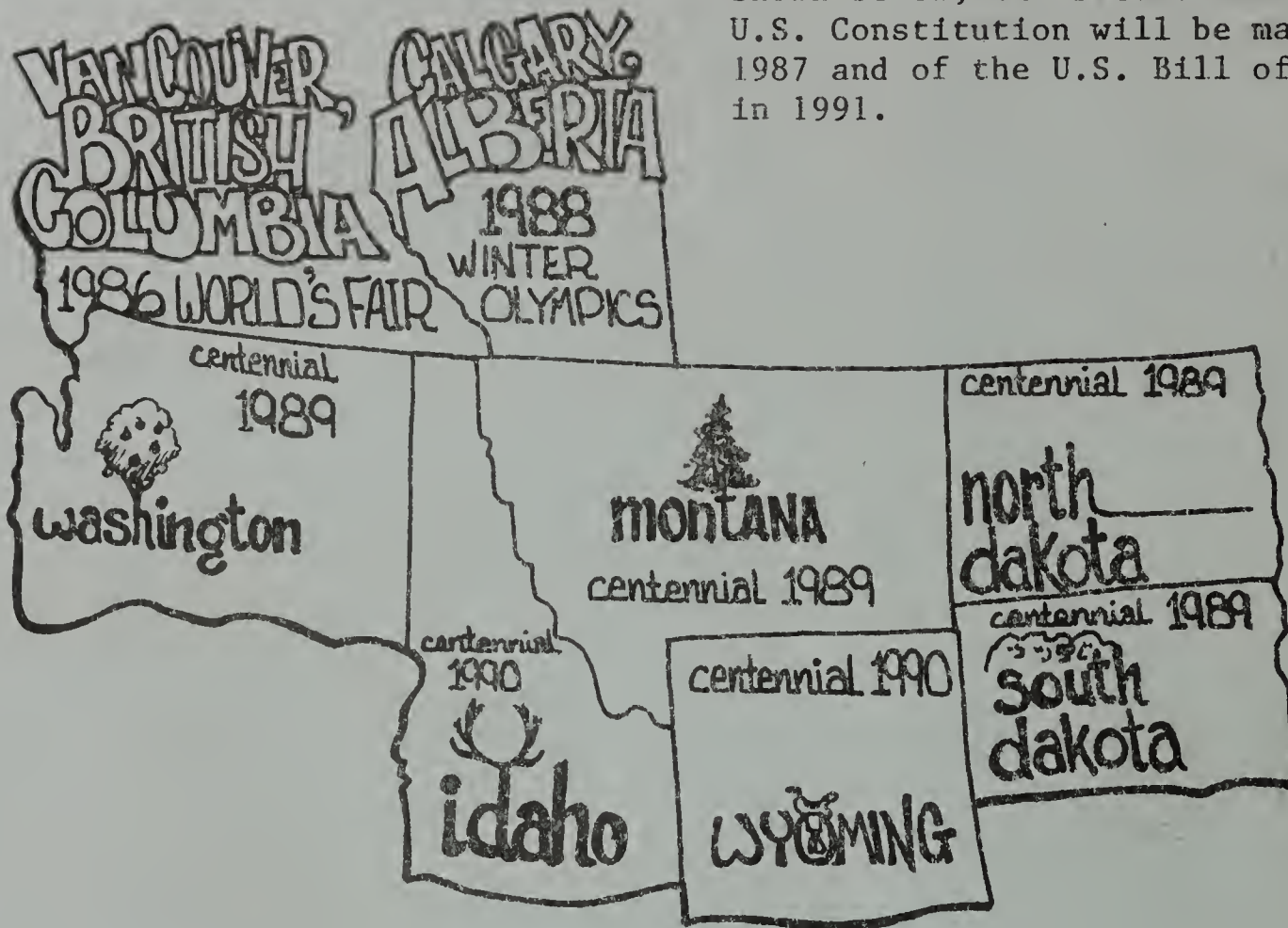
Among the 240 "Eighty-Niners" to date are 178 individuals, 19 organizations, 13 businesses, 4 schools, 14 families, and 1 local government unit.

IDEAS ABOUND

Many "Eighty-Niners" wrote in to express their interest, but others submitted letters filled with suggestions. Even an incomplete listing nearly covers the alphabet: from archives, the arts and archaeological sites to books and bands, biographies and balls, from cookbooks, coins, calendars and conservation projects to documentaries, dedications and educational projects, forums, fairs, fashion shows and family reunions, from guns and grants to histories and homes, with ice cream socials, jamborees and special-issue knives, from license plates and logos, musicals and movies to national events and even ornaments, with parades and pageants and poetry and parks, from quizzes to research and restoration as well as rodeos, scholarships and stamps or sports and sculpture, from t-shirts and tree plantings and tours to wagon trains and video series--the list is growing! Future issues of THE EIGHTY-NINER will feature the ideas in more detail.

MONTANA IS IN THE MIDDLE

Several regional and national events will be occurring as Montana approaches and passes her 100th birthday. In addition to the events shown below, the bicentennials of the U.S. Constitution will be marked in 1987 and of the U.S. Bill of Rights in 1991.



SPECIAL MENTION

Appreciation is expressed to Steve Bixby, a Carroll College student, who provided the artwork for this issue. Thanks also to the Historical Society for letting two of their Capitol guides--Ed Noonan and Ann Wilsnack--help catalog the suggestions received to date. Production, printing and postage for this issue was made possible in part by a recent corporate donation from The First Bank System. Thanks to all--each an "Eighty-Niner," of course!

AND A REMINDER

Ask your friends and family to join "The Eighty-Niners" and continue to mail your comments to "The Eighty-Niners," P.O. Box 1989, Capitol Station, Helena, MT 59620. Another issue of THE EIGHTY-NINER will be mailed soon and we want to keep the mailing list up-to-date. The next issue will preview plans for an official commission--one of the major recommendations to go to the Legislature--and report on several activities already underway.

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COMMISSION AND STAFF WILL BE PROPOSED IN LEGISLATIVE SESSION

There is no special commission or staff yet to handle Centennial matters, although preliminary coordination is being accomplished within the existing resources of the Lieutenant Governor's office and several state agencies. A request will be made of the legislative session that convenes in January, however, to formally launch Statehood Centennial activities by authorizing the formation of a commission with staff support. If legislators approve, organization could begin in July of 1985 when the state fiscal year begins under new appropriations measures.

The Interagency Task Force for Centennial Coordination has been examining options for commission composition and projecting staffing needs for 1985-1987. Advice has been sought from people involved in previous celebration activities--such as the Territorial Centennial and the nation's Bicentennial--who say that while a large group may be necessary for representation and major policy-making, a smaller group should be charged with staff oversight and routine management matters. Therefore, a bill is being drafted that would call for a Montana Statehood Centennial Commission of not more than 30 members representing various interests and locations in the state, with 7 of those members designated to serve as an Executive Committee. The full commission would meet not less than two times a year, while the Executive Committee would meet more frequently to carry out the Commission's policies as needed. The Commission would serve as the state agency for administration of Centennial activities, including the ability to accept public and private funds, to initiate or make grants for specific projects, to register commemorative items (e.g., trademarks, logos, symbols) which might involve a fee for use by others, and to establish special task forces or committees as desirable. Appointments to the Commission would be made by the Governor under the bill drafted, which includes provision for a public nomination process. Commission members would serve without pay but would be entitled to \$25 a day and travel expenses.

Staffing for the Commission and its activities also is tentative. The Task Force is generally thinking there should be two positions -- a director and a secretary --during the first year of the Commission's operation, with an assistant added during the second year. Preliminary budget projections to support Commission members, staff and office operations would total approximately \$125,000 for the first year of the biennium and \$145,000 for the second.

Reactions from "Eighty-Niners" to the above proposals are welcome, particularly since everything is still in draft stage. Do you think it's too early to propose a commission? Does the size and scope of a commission as outlined above sound reasonable? Do the staffing and budget projections seem realistic? Send in your reactions or other ideas today!

HUMANITIES COMMITTEE
PROGRESSING WITH PLANS

Gerald Fetz, Interim Director of the Montana Committee for the Humanities (M.C.H.) based in Missoula, sent the following "progress report" on Centennial-related activities the Committee has initiated:

"In anticipation of the 1989 Montana Statehood Centennial, the Committee has recently begun to devote some of its attention and resources to projects and activities which celebrate and explore critically our history over the past one hundred years and simultaneously relate that history to our present and look into the future of our state and region in relationship to that past. Although an M.C.H. Subcommittee, chaired by historian Michael Malone of Montana State University, is still working out details of the M.C.H. approach to Centennial-related projects, it is already clear that the Committee will be most interested in activities which extend beyond 'local history,' the focus which Montana Historical Society sponsored activities will rightfully take, and relate our past to our future, our state to our region and nation as we attempt to anticipate and help determine the direction of the next one hundred years.

"In May the M.C.H. sponsored a conference in Helena for humanities scholars from a wide range of disciplines and campuses in the state. The conference addressed the topic "Montana Myth: Sacred Stories, Sacred Cows," and very successfully inaugurated a discussion among scholars and the general public about the relationship of myths to reality in the context of Montana's (and the West's) past, present and future. It is hoped that this will be a continuing discussion of value to us all as we consider appropriate and thoughtful ways to look at and commemorate our first one hundred years.

"The M.C.H. also recently awarded a large grant, one of its first grants for publication activity, to a group of scholars and writers (project director is Annick Smith of Heartland) to research and then produce a major anthology of Montana writers and writings. The resulting book should be a major resource to scholars, teachers and everyone interested in Montana writers for many years to come. Publication is anticipated for 1987 or 1988."

GROUP NAMED TO FOCUS
ON LEWIS & CLARK TRAIL

A Montana Lewis and Clark Trail Advisory Council has been created by Governor Ted Schwinden. Its function is to promote Montanans' awareness of the historical significance of the trail. The members were chosen because of their expertise and interest in the journey of the two explorers in 1804-06. In Montana, the expedition made 286 stops during their two-year, four-month and 10-day jaunt, far more than in any other state.

A number of major sites already have been marked, but many others require location, development and protection. The Lewis and Clark Trail is of major significance to Montana because the two Captains were the first to chronicle and identify what topography was to become the Treasure State.

Appointed to the council are: Doug Allard, St. Ignatius; Robert Archibald, Helena; John Austin, Hamilton, Harry Fritz, Missoula; Marshall Johnson, Great Falls; Bob Saindon, Helena; William Sherman, Portland, Oregon; Gladys Silk, Glasgow; Harold G. "Hal" Stearns, Helena; Margaret Warden, Great Falls; Wilbur Werner, Cut Bank; John Willard, Billings; and John Wilson, Helena. The Council will coordinate its activities with other local, state and national groups.

TRIP LINKS STATE
TO U.S. CONGRESS

Dr. Raymond W. Smock, Historian with the Office for the Bicentennial in the U.S. House of Representatives, traveled to Montana recently to be the keynote speaker for the annual meeting of the Museum of the Rockies in Bozeman. In conjunction with that visit, information was shared on planning for Montana's Statehood Centennial and the Bicentennial of the U.S. House of Representatives, both occurring in 1989. Dr. Smock was eagerly signed up as an "Eighty-Niner" to keep the lines of communication open, and he expressed considerable interest in coordinating appropriate activities. With the bicentennials of the U.S. Constitution in 1987 and the U.S. Bill of Rights in 1991, there will be several opportunities to link state and national themes together. Dr. Smock's office is at 138 Cannon House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515, and his telephone number is 202/225-1153, for anyone who wants more information on the national-level efforts.

LEGISLATURE FACES
ANNIVERSARY, ALSO

When legislators gather in Helena in January 1985, the gavel will call them to order for business as the Forty-Ninth Legislative Assembly. That means, of course, that when the gavel sounds for the next biennial session in 1987, it will be the 50th anniversary for the legislative branch in Montana. Suggestions have been made that some special events should be planned, along with commemorative seals for bills or maybe copies of "commemorative codes" to be issued including some legislative history. If special things were to occur in 1987, presumably they would have to be authorized in advance. If you have ideas, talk to your legislators during the holidays while they are still home and not under the pressure of the legislative pace. If they know some of their constituents are in favor of the legislature sponsoring a little party to precede the Statehood Centennial activities, they might be more willing to approve some planning measures.

FIRST BANK SYSTEM
HELPS CENTENNIAL

In our first issue, we mentioned that production, printing and postage of THE EIGHTY-NINER was made possible in part by a recent corporate donation from Montana's First Bank System. That donation comes about through a book project initiated by First Bank, the proceeds of which are dedicated to centennial activities. They allocated \$5,000 to be used by the Lieutenant Governor's office for pre-planning activities through next June, with a larger sum to be donated later assuming an official commission is authorized by the legislature.

The book, titled "Montana: A Pictorial History" is authored by Anneke-Jan Boden. It is a limited edition of historic and scenic photographs about Montana's past and present that, according to the ads, "will stir your imagination, touch your pride and spark memories for you and all your family." Separately priced hardbound and leatherbound editions--both recommended by First Bank for gift-giving--are available from First Bank members at Billings, West Billings, Bozeman, Butte, Forsyth, Fort Benton, Great Falls, West Great Falls, Havre, Helena, Lewistown, Livingston, Miles City, Southside Missoula and Western Missoula locations. All "Eighty-Niners" are already benefiting from the corporate sponsorship of this project, so you might want to support the cause by considering the purchase of a copy. Anyway, "Thanks, First Banks!"

LICENSE PLATES,
STAMPS POPULAR

Many people have inquired about a couple of frequently mentioned projects: vehicle license plates and a commemorative postal stamp. Nothing is certain about either of them, but there is some news to report. A bill is being drafted that calls for the re-issuance of license plates that would recognize the 1989 Statehood Centennial theme. The Motor Vehicle Division of the Department of Justice, along with a Statehood Centennial Commission (assuming one is authorized), would work out the details of design, special features and categories, and timing for the transition. A special stamp commemorating the state's admission to the nation is also "in the mill" in that the U.S. Postal Service is aware of the up-coming celebration and may consider issuing a block that includes Montana, Washington, North Dakota and South Dakota since they all entered the same year. USPS makes no commitments this early, but has advised that the idea is before their various advisory and design committees. A number of philatelic suggestions have been sent in by "Eighty-Niners" and will be forwarded to the attention of a commission as soon as one becomes formally organized.

FUNDING IDEAS
BEING STUDIED

It is hoped that corporate donations, such as the one from the First Bank System, will increase as the Centennial draws nearer. A mix of private and public money will be needed, however, to build a fund large enough to support the variety of activities being suggested by "Eighty-Niners" and others. The Interagency Task Force for Centennial Coordination has been examining several revenue-raising projects but has made no firm recommendations yet. The Task Force's preliminary conclusion is that the basic costs of a commission's operation (members' travel, staff, office, etc.) should be supported with tax dollars, but monies for special statewide projects and for granting to individuals or communities should come from other sources. Suggestions range from "placing cannisters in retail outlets for customers to deposit their change" to a contributions check-off on the state tax form to selling an acre of land by the square inch with a fancy deed claiming "rights to the riches of the Treasure State." Proceeds from the sales of several commemorative items also will be a likely fund-raising source. Your opinions on those ideas are invited, as well as any other suggestions you might care to submit.

"EIGHTY-NINERS" GROW,
BECOME INTERNATIONAL!

More than thirty new "Eighty-Niners" have joined in the past month, and we can add Chinook, Dagmar, Forsyth, Gallatin Gateway, Glasgow and Shepherd to the sites shown on our Montana map in the last issue. The in-state network continues to expand, and we now have people in Colorado who join the handful of out-of-staters on our list. But wait: we've become international, too! A Montana serviceman stationed in Ireland personally called the Governor while on a stateside trip to convey the message that he, too, wanted to sign up as an "Eighty-Niner." Good news travels fast and far, right?

WE'RE FLEXIBLE

The "Eighty-Niners" is a growing group, with no limit to the number of members. So, please feel free to invite any of your family, friends and co-workers to volunteer to help influence and keep informed about Centennial planning. Just have them write to the address on the masthead. Also, be an active "Eighty-Niner" by continuing to send in your suggestions--or your reactions to any of the ideas discussed in this issue--as soon as possible before proposals are prepared for presentation to the legislature. The more members and the more opinions, the better.

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CENTENNIAL "SAMPLER"; BILLS BEING PREPARED

A Centennial "sampler" of ideas, suggestions and proposals that have come in from "Eighty-Niners" over the past year is being prepared to accompany a report for legislators on pre-planning activities to date. This issue of THE EIGHTY-NINER previews that "sampler" and was cooperatively compiled by Helena-based "Eighty-Niners" Ann Wilsnack, Ed Noonan, Melinda Artz and Steve Bixby along with Cheryl Hutchinson in the Lieutenant Governor's Office. The range of ideas is impressive and, even though none of them has been endorsed yet as an official Centennial project, the choices offered promise an active time ahead!

A few bills also are being prepared for legislators' consideration, and the next issue of THE EIGHTY-NINER --which will be distributed later this month--will brief you on their contents, sponsors and hearing schedules.

COMMEMORATIVE ITEMS SHOULD BE NUMEROUS

By 1989, everywhere you go you could be seeing reminders of the Centennial celebration. Many 89ers already are expecting such things as medallions, mugs, maps, mascots, mud flaps and flags, 'longside belt buckles, bumper stickers and bronzed boots. Bonnets, badges, balloons, backpacks, athletic bags, grocery bags and brooch watches should be on the shelves along with coins, clothing, quilts, camping gear, calendars and Christmas ornaments. How about tie tacks, T-shirts and telephones? Or pocket knives, pocket watches, picnic supplies, pens, prints, plates and posters? Saddles and spurs, spoons and stuffed grizzlies and bronze sculptures of the state's famous people and events likely will be sold. Don't forget commemorative ice cream, jewelry and beer. If this isn't enough to fire up your interests, there may be centennial rifles, pistols and pyrotechnic devices. Centennial plants, centennial flowers, centennial license plates--centennial anything you can envision!



ARTISTS WILL ENJOY
CENTENNIAL EMPHASIS

The time between now and the Centennial should afford Montana's artists with many opportunities to get involved, if the suggestions for art activities from 89ers are any indication.



Many people feel the Centennial should promote the arts through special contests for painters, sculptors, writers, musicians and craftspeople. Special art exhibits could be featured in public areas, airports for instance. Other exhibits could tour the state. Encouragement of historical painting, poetry, printmaking, sculpture and books has come up several times in 89er letters. Some say Montana artists should be hired to produce prizes for any contests. Lots of people feel

the celebration won't be complete without a centennial marching band of Montana musicians or without a centennial song. Montana musicians also could be encouraged to compose special commemorative works, according to some 89ers.

One of the events suggested most often has been a centennial play. Past pageants in Butte, Billings and Helena have been offered as models. Grandstreet Theatre in Helena and the drama departments of the state's universities and colleges have been suggested as likely organizers of special plays and musicals. Scripts of historical works should be commissioned, suggest some 89ers. A play or plays could be produced to tour the state in the repertory of a Montana "Theater Caravan." Puppet shows depicting Montana history is another 89er idea. Some people would like to see reenactments of bank robberies, notable legislative sessions and other historical events.

On the national scene, a touring exhibit in Montana of the William Clark collection at the Corcoran Museum in Washington, D.C., is being arranged by Billings' Yellowstone Art Center. Statewide or possibly regional proposals to the National Endowments for the Arts or Humanities also have been discussed for some special projects.

Other media haven't been forgotten either. Television projects about the history of Montana and the surrounding region were suggested. Several Eighty-Niners envision special video series on Montana's banking history, agriculture, gold discoveries and Chief Joseph's flight and surrender. In addition to special television programs, 89ers would like to watch movies about the Lewis and Clark Expedition or Charlie

Russell's Life. One Polson woman wanted to be sure that all big Centennial events be televised for the sake of people unable to attend, particularly the shut-in or disabled. Possibilities for radio abound; "Centennial Minutes" or daily facts could be produced. Special radio plays and programs could be commissioned, produced and distributed to stations around the state. Several people mentioned multimedia events and shows. Local multimedia projects representing regional scenery, architecture and history could be presented around the state.





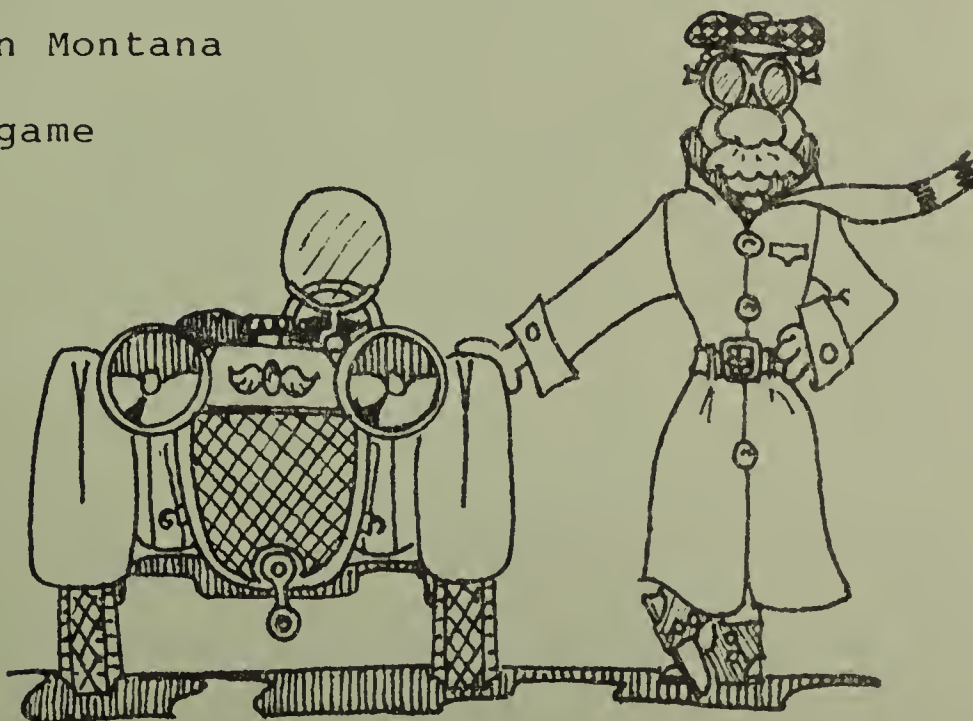
Celebrating the state's folklife interests many 89ers. The State of Washington is celebrating its centennial with a big Folklife Festival in 1989. An 89er hopes Montana can become involved in that festival or one of its own design.

Ideas like these come in every day from 89ers who support Montana's artists and their work. Did you get some new ideas? Send them in. We'll add them to the file.

A SPORTING TIME

Montana's own athletes and outdoor enthusiasts had better plan to be in good shape in 1989. Just reading this list of sporting suggestions could make many 89ers tired!

- o Lumber jamboree with log rolling, tree topping, log sawing
- o Ice figure skating events
- o Old miners contests like rock drilling
- o Roller-skate-across-Montana contest
- o Going-to-the-Sun Highway bicycle race
- o Centennial ski spectacular
- o NFL Football Game held in Montana
- o National Pro Basketball game
- o Missouri River Race



89ERS SKETCH OUT PLANS
FOR THE BIRTHDAY PARTY

Thoughtful plans make for great parties. Montana's 100th birthday party ought to be a great one because our 89ers are thinking about centennial birthday party plans already. They want everyone to get involved, sharing enthusiasm as well as responsibility.

To make sure everyone has a chance to take part, 89ers suggest regional 89er hearings and a toll-free centennial information hot line to the Capitol.

Money--how to raise enough for the celebration--tops 89er planning agendas. Here's some 89er fundraising ideas: a tax return check-off, selling a plot of Montana land a few square inches at a time (complete with certificates of ownership), donating a percentage of memorabilia proceeds to centennial projects and having canisters around the state's retail outlets for people to contribute their "loose change." Overall operational costs might be part of state government's contribution.

How should centennial funds be spent? Spend as much of these monies in Montana as possible, say Montana economy-minded planners. Those who look ahead remind us that birthday parties celebrate the past and encourage the future. One Great Falls 89er points out: "Might as well get involved in the future--can't do anything about the past." Major projects could leave lasting public legacies such as restored structures, new or expanded buildings and art work. The future of learning could receive a centennial present with scholarships and research grants, possibly on state, regional and community history.

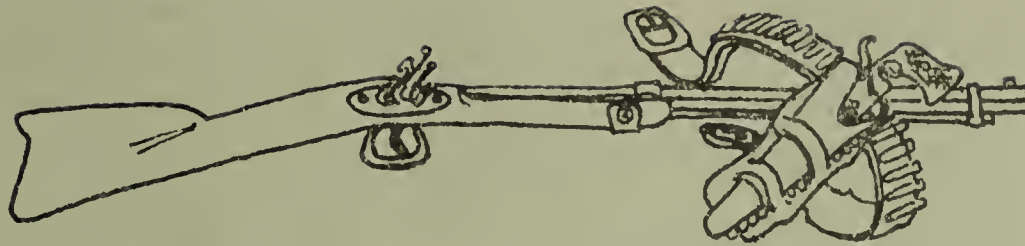
Themes can help tie celebrations together. Some have already been suggested. They highlight education, religion, recreation, women's issues, politics and cultural exchanges, to name but a few. One 89er wants to divide the state into 12 regions. Then one region each month of the centennial year would host a special event. Another idea would have a centennial event clearinghouse to enable communities to share their celebrations with each other.

Other ideas for publicity show 89er willingness to share the fun. A Montana poster calendar would attract interest in statewide travel and activities. Linking promotional efforts with those of our regional neighbors, especially



those aimed at Europe and Japan, makes sense say some 89ers. Gathering information from visitor logs around the state would provide a way to invite past visitors to centennial events. Statistics from these logs could be used to determine where most of our tourists come from and where to put our advertising dollars.

There's a lot to do between now and 1989. In the meantime, we can have a lot of fun planning and organizing the party.



WESTERN TRADITIONS
LIKELY TO CONTINUE

To many, Montana is the Glamorous West, past and present--filled with mountain men, buffalo, cowboys, miners, Indians, lumberjacks, pioneers and homesteaders--and many 89ers want to capitalize on that reputation.

The ideas presented by our 89ers so far are:

- o Get wagon trains rolling again--perhaps in 1988 to Calgary to promote our centennial.
- o A National or Western Indian Pow Wow to be held in Montana.
- o Sponsor the National High School Rodeo.
- o Produce a statewide competitive trail event for equestrians.
- o Ride horse-back to Helena from Grass Range.
- o Sponsor the National Bronc Busting Championship.
- o Hold a sheep drive.
- o Encourage the creation of an Old West Amusement Park.
- o Sponsor the National Mountain Men's Rendevous.

Who has not said "I'd like to live in the 'Good Ole Days' "? We forget, of course, that in those good old days we'd have been hauling water, suffering from isolation and freezing all the way to the back house. Thanks to the 89ers, 1989 looks like a year where we'll remember the best of the "Good Ole Days" without having to endure the inconveniences.



SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY
EVENTS ARE POPULAR

In the early days, western social and community events offered a fine mixture of work and play. A barn dance would follow a barn raising, a feast would top off a corn husking. Quilting bees let women sit for a bit and visit. Many 89ers have adopted this tradition and range from plain old hard work to outright frivolity.

Sprucing up our towns, roads and parks for ourselves and our expected guests is a good start for our community centennial events, suggest some 89ers. A "Clean up Montana" campaign might include awards to the tidiest towns, cities and counties, says a Great Falls woman. A Glendive man suggests grants be made available for construction of centennial buildings--art centers, museums, civic centers or libraries--supported by community matching funds. Folks in Fort Benton would like financial help to build a Montana Agriculture Center and Museum. Other 89ers say existing facilities should be expanded and renovated to provide a better setting for centennial activity fun.

The 89ers envision lots of celebrations during our statehood centennial year. Parades head the list with themes highlighting old trucks and tractors, rodeos and Montana history. Entering a Montana Centennial float in the 1989 Rose Bowl Parade is a favorite idea.

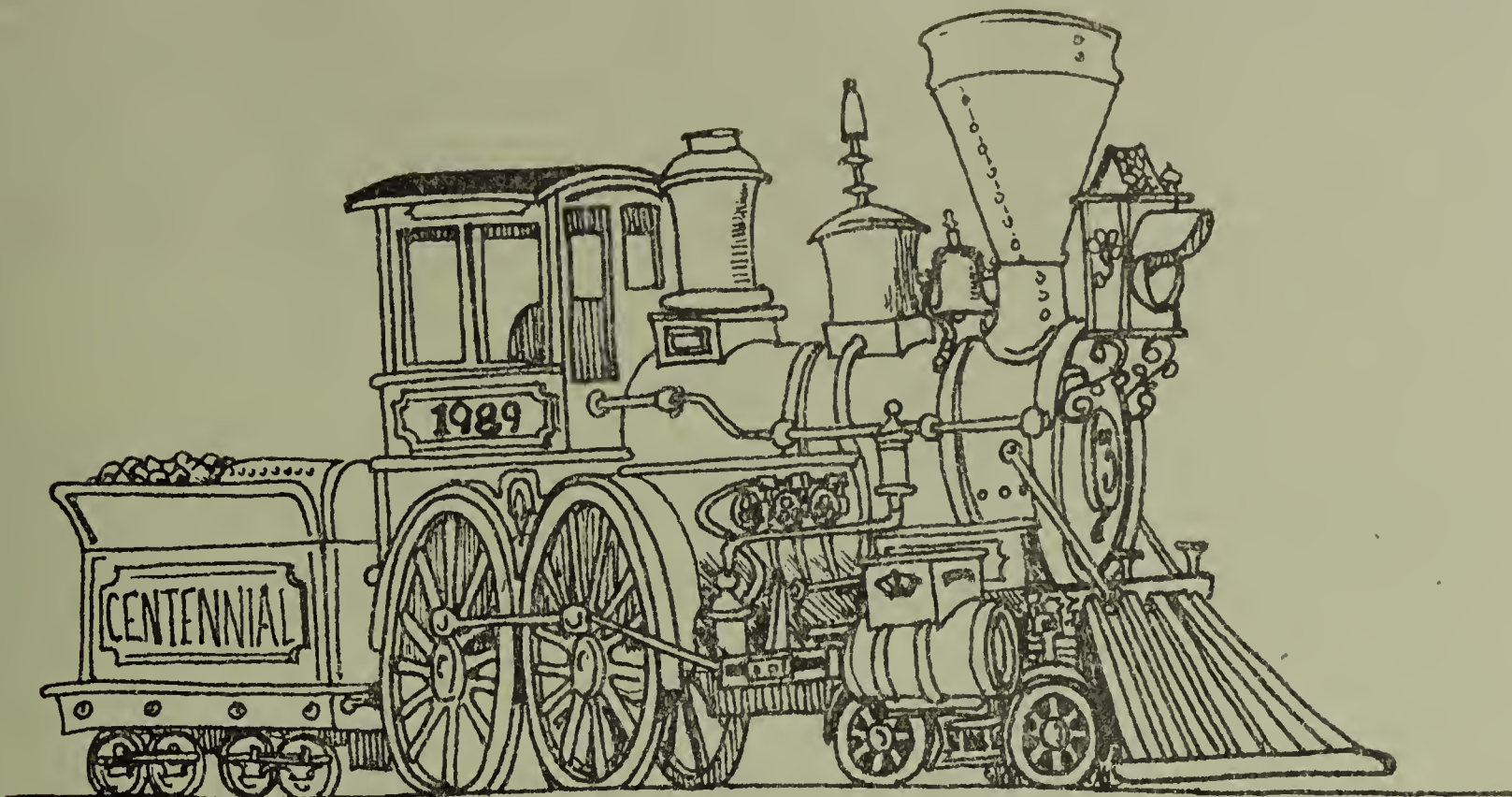


Our freshened public places could hold a variety of dances, say nimble 89ers. Formal centennial balls with themes ranging from gold and silver to clothes of earlier years have been suggested. 89ers say we could have one or more Governor's Balls, held simultaneously across the state. A rowdy street dance and one with a frontier theme were suggested by folks with less formal fun in mind.

Montanans like to eat. Dinner dances, ice cream socials, a sourdough pancake supper, picnic buffets, basket socials and ethnic food feasts have been suggested by food-loving 89ers. Once the menus been planned, 89ers move on to suggesting the costumes for these events. One has suggested style shows of old wedding dresses along with the stories of the brides who wore them.

Fairs are a big part of summer in Montana. Two Helena 89ers want the Centennial State Fair to be held in their hometown. 4-H and county fairs might portray centennial themes in costumes, events, rides, contests and concessions suggest others.

Trains opened up the West and helped make statehood possible. Many 89ers want to honor this industry, perhaps with a centennial train or tourist trains, one of which could run along the BP&A line into the World Museum of Mining in Butte. Others would like Amtrack to open the southern train line in the summer of 1989. It could



transport folks who want to remember the early settlement of Montana, as well as those who want to see Montana as it is today. People visiting the Montana Historical Museum's third floor will be able to see a Territorial Train Exhibit donated by the Montana Territorial Train Association.

Montana's 89ers have created a myriad of ideas to celebrate our 100th birthday. Ranches begun in 1889 could be noted and celebrated. Tours by prominent celebrities and the President have been suggested as spice for our centennial. 89ers want to enhance the birthday party with a Montana flag for every flag pole, banners on our main streets, aerial displays, hot air ascensions, gun salutes and beard growing contests.

LEARNING FOR ALL AGES FINDS SUPPORT APLENTY

Montana, then and now, will be the focus of many educational opportunities, if 89ers have their way. History studies for school, home and community over the next four years can help prepare us for our centennial. A list of Montana history experts could be made available to help researchers. Book lists for all age groups would help us learn about our state, some 89ers believe. Once we've done our homework, say the 89ers, the fruits of our studies can be seen in all our celebrations. What we can learn will help us accurately portray our state's history in the parades, plays, displays and social events the 89ers are planning.



CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES
NEED MORE ATTENTION

So far only a few specific ideas for children have been submitted. Parades, picnics, and pageants are for everyone, of course, but some

89ers have indicated that kids need some special events just for them. Several 89er's wanted to be sure some events would be planned specifically for teenagers. Ideas certainly would be welcome. How about more young people joining the 89er's? Here are some ideas for children:

- o a special centennial tour by a rock group or star, a concert of Montana songs
- o a statewide oral history project for young people to record stories and perform them in a play
- o a huge birthday card signed by Montana's school children
- o a giant birthday cake
- o decorating the capitol
- o a large statewide project specifically including young people
- o school-sponsored musical programs, essay contests, art shows, fairs, speech contests and community projects.



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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

With the February 27 deadline for transmittal of non-appropriations bills between chambers, the pace of the legislature is in full swing. The Administration's Centennial package has been introduced, as is reported below, and there are a few other Centennial-related measures under consideration. If you're interested in following the status of bills closely, the Legislative Information Office (toll-free number 1-800-332-3408 or Helena 444-4853) can advise you of committee hearings and other schedules.

GOVERNOR PROPOSES OFFICE/COMMISSION

House Bill 873, introduced at the request of Governor Ted Schwinden by Representative Harry Fritz of Missoula, would initiate formal Centennial administration in Montana starting July 1 of this year. The bill calls for a special Centennial Office within the Lieutenant Governor's office, authority to hire staff and to establish policies and themes, as well as a Montana State Centennial Commission to advise on a variety of matters. The bill would appropriate up to \$238,220 on loan from the state general fund for the basic Office and Commission operations, allow for the receipt of gifts and other contributions, and allocate revenues from any legislatively approved sources (e.g., see "Centennial Acre" and commemorative license plates articles in this issue). The bill was co-sponsored by 60 legislators, which shows healthy and bi-partisan support, and was referred to the House Appropriations Committee. A hearing date has not yet been set.

"CENTENNIAL ACRE" STARTS IN SENATE

Senate Bill 380, also introduced at the request of the Governor, was sponsored by Senator Gene Thayer of Great Falls with 20 co-signers. It passed the Senate Business and Industry Committee on February 20 after a hearing where slight amendments were offered and no opponents appeared. Lieutenant Governor George Turman, Fish, Wildlife and Parks Director Jim Flynn and representatives of the Montana Arts Advocacy and Burlington Northern spoke on behalf of the bill. As amended, the bill would allow the state to designate or to accept the donation of one or more acres of land, with deeds to one-square-inch parcels to be sold for the purposes of Centennial fundraising. The state would actually hold title to the land, with deedholders entitled to the "general enjoyment of the riches of the Treasure State." Within an acre are 6,272,640 square inches; at \$10 per deed purchase, the potential revenue to be raised is substantial!

1ST IN A SERIES:
KNOW YOU STATE;
TEST YOUR TRIVIA

In case totalling up the "Centennial Acre" potential whetted your appetite, here are some more items to figure out. . .

89er Richard Roeder, a history professor on leave from Montana State University, offers the following questions, the answers to which appear at the bottom of the page: 1. What public figure served in all three branches of state government (as a legislator, associate justice of the supreme court, attorney general and governor)? 2. Who was Montana's first woman lawyer? 3. Where is the geographic center of the state? 4. What was on the cover of the first issue of Life magazine? 5. What is the highest point in Montana? 6. How many Indian reservations are there in the state? 7. What is the lowest point in Montana? 8. Which governor's portrait hangs above the south fireplace in the Governor's Reception Room in the Capitol? 9. What other states were admitted to statehood at the same time as Montana? 10. What Montanan was appointed U.S. Attorney General?

LICENSE PLATES,
OTHER PROPOSALS
IN LEGISLATURE

House Bill 675, which calls for Centennial commemorative license plates at \$25 a piece, met success in the House of Representatives. As originally drafted, all proceeds would have gone to the counties, but the bill was amended to have

\$5 cover production costs, \$10 to counties and \$10 to the state Centennial efforts. Senate bill 419, on the other hand, would leave it up to the Division of Motor Vehicles and the proposed Centennial Office to decide the timing of release of a commemorative plate, its design and cost with all proceeds above production to go toward the state effort. The Governor's proposal for a Centennial Center--which he announced in his State of the State message--has been heard before the Long-Range Planning Subcommittee. With \$100,000 from Burlington Northern and a \$25,000 state match for planning monies, a visitor's center and products display along with some office space are envisioned in the proposal. Under consideration this legislative session are a few other measures--regarding statues on the Capitol grounds and acquisition of properties for historical preservation--that are meeting mixed reviews.

LEGISLATORS INFORMED;
SEE ENCLOSED REPORTS

A week ago, Governor Schwinden transmitted the enclosed report on the 2-year planning phase along with your ideas and suggestions in the "Centennial Sampler" to each

legislator. You should be proud of the contributions you've already made; please keep sending in proposals so we can build on the momentum!

ANSWERS TO THE "MONTANA TRIVIA" QUIZ ON TOP OF THIS PAGE: 1. Forrest H. Anderson 2. Ella Knowles 3. The Yogo Inn at Lewistown 4. A Margaret Bourke-White photograph of Fort Peck Dam 5. Granite Peak in Park County at 12,799 feet 6. Seven: Crow, Northern Cheyenne, Fort Peck, Fort Belnap, Rocky Boy, Blackfeet and Flathead 7. Where the Kootenai River leaves the state, at 1,820 feet 8. Joseph K. Toole 9. North Dakota, South Dakota and Washington join Montana as "The Omnibus States" 10. Thomas Walsh, but he died before assuming office.

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CENTENNIAL OFFICE, COMMISSION CLOSER TO IMPLEMENTATION

Representatives, clearing the way for the measure to be sent to the Governor for signature.

On the 88th day of the 90-day legislative session, a conference committee report on House Bill 873 was simultaneously approved by both the State Senate and the House of

Representatives, clearing the way for the measure to be sent to the Governor for signature.

HB 873 authorizes establishment of a Montana Statehood Centennial Office and a Commission to advise it. The bill becomes effective July 1, 1985 and expires June 30, 1991. No general fund monies were appropriated for the support of the office, but there are provisions for borrowing from selected state accounts (to be repaid from the proceeds from sales of a special commemorative license plate and deeds to the "Centennial Acre") and for accepting funds from a variety of other sources, especially private.

The Centennial office will be within Lt. Governor George Turman's office. The Commission will be appointed by Governor Ted Schwinden. Although the bill authorizes the hiring of additional staff, the Lt. Governor predicts he will rely essentially on his existing staff for phased-in implementation until the revenue picture improves. Granting activities are unlikely--or at least severely limited--in the foreseeable future.

The Office and Commission will concentrate at first on several tasks assigned in HB 873: continuing to plan and coordinate, serving as a clearinghouse for information and scheduling, and setting goals and objectives to encourage public awareness. The Commission will be asked, in particular, to make recommendations on themes and criteria for endorsing specific Centennial projects. They'll be asked also to recommend ways to assure active citizen and community involvement and ways to focus national and international attention on Montana "while reminding Montanans what Montana has been, is, and hopes to become." The Office and Commission will need to focus immediate attention on marketing of Centennial Acre deeds and on the license plate options. Any official slogans or symbols will need to be determined early on, along with policies for royalties or fees for their use.

The size and composition of the Commission are yet to be determined. The Lt. Governor will serve as chairman, but the number and types of citizen representatives will be handled through an executive order to be issued by the Governor. Even when a Commission is in place, "The Eighty-Niners" will continue as an important arm for citizen action and reaction, according to Lt. Governor Turman.

"CENTENNIAL ACRE"
GAINS ENDORSEMENT

Senate Bill 380, introduced at the request of the Governor and sponsored by Sen. Gene Thayer (R-Great Falls) and 20 co-signers, was signed into law on April 15! It had passed the State Senate on February 25 and the House of Representatives on March 26, following hearings in both chambers with supportive testimony from Lt. Governor George Turman, Fish/Wildlife/Parks Department Director James Flynn and representatives of the Montana Arts Advocacy, Burlington Northern and the Nature Conservancy. Few dissented in any of the committee or floor votes.

According to the Lt. Governor, the Centennial Acre idea was proposed as "both a fun- and a fund-raiser." The bill allows sale of symbolic deeds to one-square-inch parcels for \$10 each. Proceeds go toward Centennial activities. Deedholders would not gain property rights as such, but would be "entitled to the general enjoyment of the riches of the Treasure State." Purchase of a deed signifies "an investment in the Last of What is Best in America."

The details are still in the works. Ideas and potential sites are being explored. The Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks has been empowered to designate or accept donation of at least one acre for the project. The actual sale of the deeds will be handled by the Centennial Office. Marketing strategies for both in- and out-of-state buyers need to be designed, but most likely will begin with a gift-giving appeal to Montanans during the next holiday season for their friends and families who have ties to the state.

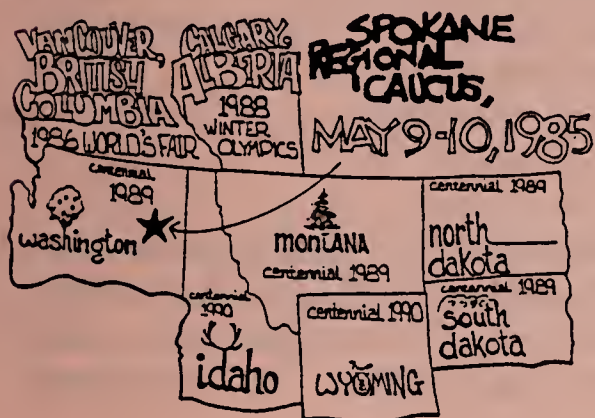
The Centennial Acre project could become a major source of revenue for Centennial administration and activities. It is hoped that many "Eighty-Niners" will be among the first to buy deeds to help get the fund-raising program started. More specific information will appear in THE EIGHTY-NINER as the project develops.

CORPORATIONS
CONTRIBUTING

The employees of AT&T in Montana have recently pledged annual contributions to the statewide Centennial effort. A special thanks is owing Dee Rosco, with the Community Relations team based in Billings, for organizing the AT&T employee contributions program! The AT&T group joins two other corporations that have made commitments so far to Centennial planning: FirstBank System made an early donation and has advised that additional proceeds from its book project will be forthcoming soon, and Burlington Northern has offered assistance especially with the Centennial Acre project. Mountain Bell recently inquired about Centennial planning. It is hoped that others will be getting involved as formal activities develop; private sector initiatives will be an important element in the statewide participation envisioned.

REGIONAL COORDINATION
TOPIC OF MAY MEETING

Montana is taking the initiative in exploring with our regional neighbors the prospects of cooperation during the many events scheduled for later on this decade. A regional caucus on "Centennials and Other Celebrations" will be convened May 9-10 in Spokane.



The caucus will get rolling with progress reports on plans for the EXPO '86 World's Fair in Vancouver, the 1988 Winter Olympics in Calgary, the six statehood centennials in 1989 and 1990, as well as some national commemorative events. Topical discussion groups on the arts, education, history, humanities, libraries, parks and recreation, and tourism are next, followed by a large-group session on the extent and nature of regional coordination. Governors or premiers and agency heads from the following

jurisdictions received invitations to the meeting: Washington, Idaho, Wyoming, North and South Dakota, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia. Interested in attending? Call or write Cheryl Hutchinson at the Lt. Governor's Office, State Capitol, Room 207, Helena, MT 59620 (406/444-3111).

WORKSHOP SET
FOR NORTHERN

Northern Montana College in Havre has announced a 2-credit workshop that may interest some "Eighty-Niners." The workshop, titled "Montana Heritage," is scheduled for July 11-13 on the NMC campus and is billed in their just-released summer brochure as "an ideal workshop for teachers and members of community organizations who wish to plan for activities as part of the 1989 Centennial celebration."

The fee for enrolling is \$57 for residents plus another \$10 for non-residents. Further information is available from Larry Burt or Art Dolman in the Department of History and Social Science, Northern Montana College, Havre, 59501. The main campus telephone number is 265-7821.

LICENSE PLATES
A POSSIBILITY

Two bills for commemorative Centennial license plates were introduced in the legislature. One--Senate Bill 419--is on its way to becoming law. While there is to be no regular reissuance of license plates during the next biennium, SB 419 would allow the Division of Motor Vehicles and the Centennial Office to decide on the timing, cost and design of issuance of a special commemorative plate. More details on this possibility will be included in a future issue of THE EIGHTY-NINER.

TERRITORIAL TRAIN
DISPLAY DESIGNED

Alumni from the cross-country train trip to the New York World's Fair in 1964 have chipped in to prepare an exhibit of their travels, reports 89ers Howard Kelsey of Gallatin Gateway and John Cromer of Butte.

Dedication of the new permanent exhibit, which will be displayed on the third floor of the Montana State Historical Society starting this summer, will be June 1. Members of the Montana Territorial Centennial Train Association plan to hold a reunion in conjunction with this ceremony and invite all 89ers to attend.

The June 1 dedication will take place during a noon luncheon at Jorgensons Restaurant in Helena. Reservations, at \$10 per person, should be placed by May 28 with John Cromer, 3025 Moulton, Butte 59701 (782-0163). Checks are payable to Montana Territorial Centennial Train Association.

The exhibit features a scale model of the train on its site at the World's Fair, as well as photographs and a narrative covering the train's 16-stop route between Montana and New York. Recently constructed in Bozeman, the exhibit is a handsome portrayal of the story of the all-privately-funded territorial Centennial project and includes the names of nearly 500 people who traveled or assisted in the 1960s.

SAMPLER CONTAINS
YOUR SUGGESTIONS

A 14-page "Centennial Sampler" containing hundreds of ideas received from "Eighty-Niners" as of February, 1985, was distributed to legislators and others earlier this year. If you did not receive one or would like more copies, you are welcome to request them c/o P.O. Box 1989, Capitol Station, Helena 59620.

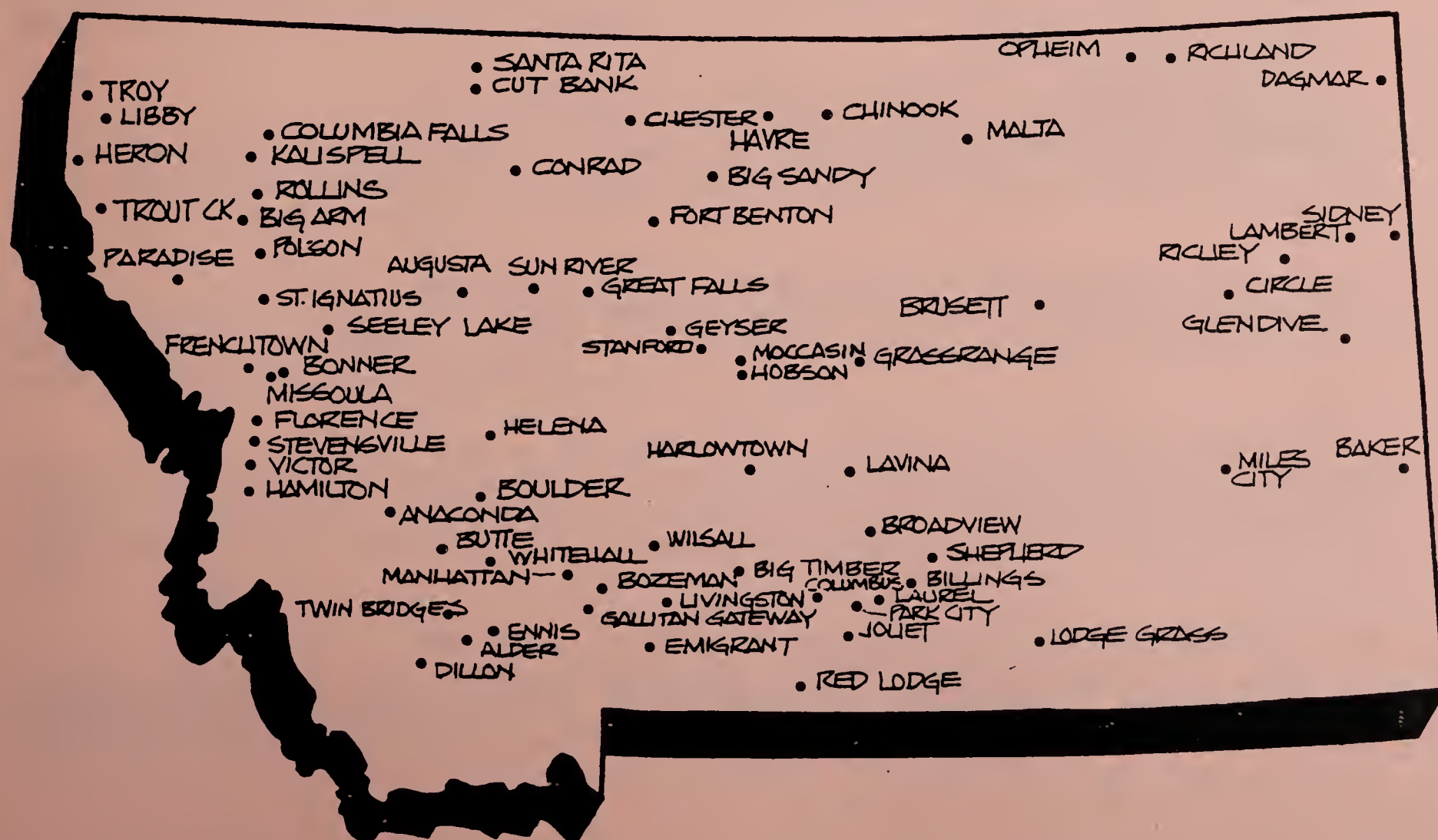
The Sampler alphabetically lists suggestions, with entries under admissions day, advertising, agriculture, airplanes and airports, antique cars, arts and artists, art centers and shows, awards, balloons, bands, banks, beautification, bibliographies, biographies, birthdays, books, buildings, Butte-Anaconda, calendars, Capitol, celebrations, celebrities, census, Centennial commission and fund, ceremonies, children's activities, coins and medallions, collectibles, commemorative issues, community activities, concessions, concerts, conservation, contests, cookbooks, costumes and apparel, counties, dances, documentaries, economic development, education, exhibits, fairs, families, films, flags, flowers and floral displays, folklife, fundraising, Glasgow/Valley County, grants, Great Falls, guns, highways and roadsigns, histories, honorary Montanans, horses and trail rides, hotlines, ice cream, issues, jamborees, jewelry, Jews, knives, legacy, legislature, Lewis and Clark, libraries, license plates, logging, logo, maps, mining, Montana Arts Council, Montana Historical Society, multi-media, museums, music and musicals. And that's only half of the alphabet!

Included also are suggestions listed under national events, Native Americans, Olympics connection, oral histories, pageants, parades, parks, photographs, planning, poetry, Pompey's Pillar, posters and prints, printed materials, puppet shows, publicity, quilts, quizzes, radio and television, ranches, regional connections, restoration, rodeos, Rose Bowl connection, scholarships, schools, sculptures, senior citizens, special events, souvenirs and specialty items, sports, stamps, state agencies, television, theater, tours and traveling shows, trains, travel and promotion, tree plantings, U.S. Constitution Bicentennial connection, universities, video, wagon trains, William Clark art collection, women and writers.

Believe it or not, new suggestions are coming in daily. The Sampler will be updated occasionally to reflect the on-going creativity and concerns of our "Eighty-Niner" community. If you have not yet seen the Sampler or want copies to share with friends or family, please remember that additional copies are available at any time on request.

89ers TOP
500 MARK

As of mid-April, there were more than 500 "Eighty-Niners" around the state and nation. (Or really, around the world, since we have one member in Ireland, too.) Thirteen additional communities in Montana now enjoy 89er representation (see updated map below). Remember, there's no charge for joining the "Eighty-Niners" and new members are always welcome. The "Eighty-Niners" form a totally voluntary network to encourage citizen involvement as planning proceeds, so spread the word and keep those cards and letters coming in.



2ND IN A SERIES:
KNOW YOUR STATE,
TEST YOUR TRIVIA

Be prepared for curious visitors to our state. Stock up on Montana trivia by answering the following questions, provided by 89er Richard Roeder: (1) Who was Montana's first woman notary public? (2) What day in 1889 did Montana Territory become a state? (3) Who was the first popularly elected (as opposed to election by the state legislature) U.S. Senator from Montana? (4) When was the cornerstone of the state capitol laid? (5) What governor resigned from office in order to allow his successor to appoint him to the U.S. Senate? (6) What is the highest official temperature ever recorded in Montana? (7) How many general purpose local government units are there in Montana? (8) What was the name of the Hollywood movie about a World War II unit that trained at Fort Harrison near Helena? (9) What is Montana's state bird? (10) What was the most notable aspect of the first session of the state legislature?

ANSWERS TO THE "MONTANA TRIVIA" QUIZ ON TOP OF THIS PAGE: (1) Ella Knowles, also Montana's first woman lawyer. (2) November 8. (3) Thomas Walsh (1912). (4) July 4, 1899. (5) John Erickson (1933). (6) 117° F. at Glendive on July 20, 1893, and Medicine Lake on July 5, 1937. (7) 181 (2 consolidated units, 54 county and 125 municipal governments). (8) "The Devil's Brigade," the name the Germans gave the American/Canadian First Special Service Force. (9) The western Meadowlark. (10) Deadlocked, it passed no laws.

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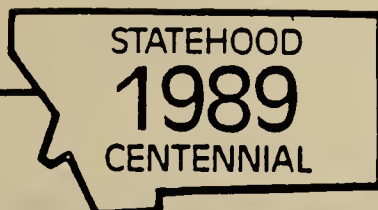
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GOVERNOR ANNOUNCES COMMISSION MEMBERS

Governor Ted Schwinden on August 20 announced the appointment of eight members to the Montana Statehood Centennial Commission. By law, Lieutenant Governor George Turman also is a member of the Commission and will serve as its chairman.

In making the appointments, Governor Schwinden said, "We're entering a significant period for citizens throughout the state to reflect on our past and examine our future, and Commission members will help guide the substance and style of this special occasion."

Named to the Commission are Patricia DeVries, Polson; Nancy Y. Dumont, Wolf Point; Marilyn Frazier, Great Falls; Frank I. Haswell, Helena; James M. Haughey, Billings; David C. Johns, Butte; Robert J. Kelly, Missoula; and Wilbur P. Werner, Cut Bank.

The Commission and a Centennial Office were created by the 1985 Legislature to handle formal administration of activities for Montana's Statehood Centennial in 1989. The Commission will advise on specific policies and make recommendations on a wide range of issues.

The Legislature charged the Commission with advising the Centennial Office on such matters as the themes and criteria for endorsing projects, ways of assuring active citizen and community involvement, and ways to focus national and international attention on the state "while reminding Montanans what Montana has been, is and hopes to become."

DeVries, formerly of Helena, is a self-employed certified public accountant and member of the Polson Library Board and Chamber of Commerce. She has been active in several professional and community organizations and is a 1971 graduate of Montana State University.

Dumont, affiliated with the Fort Peck Sioux and Assiniboin Tribes, is Special Programs Coordinator for the Wolf Point School District. She holds degrees in educational administration and social sciences. She has extensive professional and volunteer experience in education, community and Native American organizations.

Frazier is Director of Marketing and Public Relations for the Heritage Inn and has held various banking and retail management positions. She attended Western Montana College in the late '50s and has served on several boards and committees dealing with mental health, tourism, arts and local celebrations.

Haswell recently retired as Chief Justice of the Montana Supreme Court, having served on the Court since 1967 and in district court and private practice since graduating from the University of Montana Law School in 1947.

Haughey is a former legislator who served as Senate Minority Leader from 1969-71. He is a partner in a Billings law firm and is active in numerous law-related activities. A 1981 recipient of a Governor's Award for the Arts, Haughey is an avid watercolorist who has exhibited his works nationally and internationally and held leadership positions in many arts organizations.

Johns, currently Manager of Division Operations and Budget for the Montana Power Company, is a registered professional engineer. In addition to active Exchange Club and Chamber of Commerce service, he has been President of the World Museum of Mining since 1973.

Kelly is Public Affairs Manager for the Rocky Mountain Region of Champion International, Inc. As an undergraduate at the University of Montana, he was active on the U.S. Winter Olympic Team and went on with a full grant at the University of Minnesota to earn an M.P.H. in environmental science in 1972. He has worked for The Anaconda Company and as a congressional aide in Washington, D.C.

Werner is a lawyer in private practice, and formerly served as Glacier County and Cut Bank City Attorney. He is a member of the Lewis and Clark Trail Foundation, the Montana Historical Society Board of Trustees and has been involved in several community organizations.

"These individuals lend exciting talent and sound judgment to planning this important commemoration in Montana's history," Governor Schwinden said. "They represent a range of interests to complement the citizen volunteer and state agency support that already is surfacing in anticipation of the Centennial celebration," he said.

LT. GOVERNOR OPENS CENTENNIAL OFFICE

Lt. Governor George Turman opened the Centennial Office at a news conference on August 20, accepting some private contributions and announcing staffing and scheduling details.

"With Governor Schwinden's naming of the Centennial Commission membership today," Lt. Gov. Turman said, "we're officially open for business and looking forward to the year 1989 as an exciting time for all citizens of the state."

The Centennial Office, in Room 208 on the second floor of the State Capitol adjacent to the Lieutenant Governor's office, has been furnished largely with loans from individuals and "Made in Montana" manufacturers. John Shontz, a former legislator from Sidney who is pursuing law studies out of state for three years, donated use of a desk and table, file cabinets, chairs and other equipment. Sirco, a Missoula-based firm that constructs furniture, contributed four bookcases in cooperation with its Helena outlet, Capital Office Equipment and Design Incorporated.

"The Legislature encouraged us to tap the private sector, so we began with the basics," the Lieutenant Governor said, adding that "we are hopeful that some automated word processing capabilities will be donated in the near future."

Two corporations also are contributing some start-up funds to be used for programming purposes. On hand at the news conference were Earl Johnson representing the First Bank System, and Dee Rosco from the Billings AT&T Community Relations Team. The First Bank System presented a check for \$13,000 to supplement the \$5,000 it gave last year from the proceeds of an historical book project it initiated. The Billings AT&T managers and employees pledged \$1,000 a year, and presented their first installment to the Lieutenant Governor.

Lt. Gov. Turman, who will chair the Centennial Commission, said the first meeting probably will be scheduled in late September or early October with a second meeting planned for November 7-8 in conjunction with the 12th Annual Montana History Conference in Helena. "The first meeting will be mainly organizational," he said, "with November being a prime opportunity for citizens to talk directly with the commissioners about specific proposals and priorities."

In addition to private contributions, fundraising for Centennial Office operations and Centennial projects will come from two measures approved by the 1985 Legislature. "We plan to have decisions made in the near future about the sale of commemorative license plates and square-inch parcels of a Centennial Acre," Lt. Gov. Turman said. "Our intent is to have the deeds to the Acre on the market by this holiday season so that Montanans can purchase them as gifts for friends and family, especially out of state," he added.

The Lieutenant Governor will rely on his existing staff for management of day-to-day Centennial affairs, with the exception that he just selected Barbara Harris to serve as the Centennial Office's administrative assistant. Ms. Harris will provide support to the Centennial Commission and to Cheryl Hutchinson, an aide to the Lieutenant Governor who he recently designated to serve as Centennial Coordinator. Additionally, Richard Roeder, who is handling local government voter review matters presently, will be assisting with occasional historical research. "I'm confident that we have a fine team to serve the public in planning the celebration," the Lt. Gov. said, noting that the staff members have considerable experience in educational, cultural and local government areas.

"With all the interest that has been expressed in Montana and with recent progress on cooperation with our neighboring states and provinces," Lt. Gov. Turman said, "I am optimistic that we will 'be ready' by 1989." "Time and resources are slim," he said, "but we are off to a good start."

RESOLUTION CALLS FOR
REGIONAL COOPERATION

Montana's Centennial Coordinator, Cheryl Hutchinson, attended a meeting with other states' centennial planning staff on August 6 in Boise in conjunction with the National Governors Association. The highlight of the meeting was the signing of a resolution by five Governors--Ted Schwinden of Montana, John Evans of Idaho, George Sinner of North Dakota, Booth Gardner of Washington and Ed Herschler of Wyoming--calling for cooperation among the 1989-1990 Centennial States. Governor Janklow of South Dakota was not in attendance, but the resolution has been forwarded for his consideration.

The resolution also endorsed the Centennial States Caucus "as the primary means of coordinating multi-state centennial activities." The caucus emerged out of a meeting in Spokane on May 9-10 at which some 70 representatives from six states and three Canadian provinces exchanged ideas and information. Copies of a report summarizing the May caucus are available on request from the Centennial Office, P.O. Box 1989, Capitol Station, Helena, MT 59620.

FIRST ANNUAL
89ers DINNER

Although most business of "The Eighty-Niners" is conducted by mail, the idea of an annual dinner has been suggested.

The date of Thursday, November 7, has been chosen for the event to coincide with the scheduling of the Montana history conference in Helena. Plans now call for a no-host social hour, dinner and a program from 5 to 7:30 p.m. More details about how to register will be forthcoming, but mark your calendars now and plan on trekking to Helena November 7! It's also likely that November 8 will be scheduled as a day for the Centennial Commission to take testimony on the range of projects being proposed by "Eighty-Niners" and others.

The 12th Annual Montana History Conference, sponsored by the Montana Historical Society with assistance from the Montana Committee for the Humanities, will run from November 7-9 at the Colonial Inn. Many of the program topics are centennial related--interpreting local culture through ceremony and tradition, through graphics, through sites and through artifacts, the literature of heritage, etc.--and even 89ers who are not members of the Society are welcome to attend. Conference information and registration materials will be available soon from the Historical Society, 225 North Roberts, Helena, MT 59620.

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FIRST COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULED

Lt. Governor George Turman, Centennial Statehood Commission Chairman, has scheduled the first meeting of the Commission for Monday afternoon, September 30, and Tuesday morning, October 1, at the State Capitol. It is planned as an organizational meeting.

Agenda items on Monday include a review of the Commission's duties, an overview of the financial framework, introduction of staff and agency representatives who have been involved in preliminary planning, and discussion of a possible committee structure and affiliations with interest groups within the state. On Tuesday morning, the Commission is scheduled to discuss initial preferences regarding the design of symbols and slogans, scheduling during the Centennial year and liaison with communities. Progress reports on some fund-raising projects and regional efforts also will be presented.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ENCOURAGED NOV. 8TH

A second Centennial Commission meeting has been called for Nov. 7-8 in Helena with Friday, November 8, designed especially for presentation of the suggestions submitted by "Eighty-Niners" to date. The all-day session will be the Commission's first occasion to review the hundreds of ideas that have been sent in from citizens over the past couple of years.

"November 8, 1985 marks the 96th anniversary of Montana's admission to statehood," explained Centennial Coordinator Cheryl Hutchinson, "so it is an opportune time for the new Commission members to begin focusing on the rich array of options already identified." Whether individual "Eighty-Niners" appear on behalf of their proposals personally or not, Ms. Hutchinson assured that all of the suggestions will receive at least initial attention.

An updated version of the "Centennial Sampler" will be used to guide the day's discussion. All suggestions appearing in the Sampler will be considered by the Commission. Items alphabetized under A-C will be discussed from 8-10 a.m.; D through L from 10:30 to noon; M-R from 1 to 2:30 p.m.; and S-Z from 3 p.m. until the conclusion of the meeting. Persons wishing to make presentations to the Commission on that day should reserve times in the periods which have been scheduled. Approximately 10 minutes will be allowed for individual presentations. Telephone 444-1989 or write P.O. Box 1989, Capitol Station, Helena, 59620 if you wish to reserve a presentation time.

"November 8 will be the first--but certainly not the last--opportunity for Commission members to collectively consider prospective projects for the Centennial celebration," the Centennial Coordinator said, "but we wanted to schedule a special day early in their deliberations to interact with the public to learn about the full range of possibilities that are emerging." Since funding is not available to support specific proposals, decisions and endorsements will be delayed for future Commission meetings.

NATIONAL BICENTENNIAL
FOR ED GRANTS

The Office of the Secretary, U. S. Department of Education, recently released a packet of information for "Grants Under the Excellence in Education" program.

Among priorities are proposals that "observe the bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution by increasing students' knowledge of the early history of the American republic; the significance of the Constitution, Declaration of Independence, Bill of Rights, and other primary documents; and the origins and development of the American form of government and political institutions."

Only local education agencies are eligible to apply. Montana's Office of Public Instruction (OPI) provided notification to school districts, and a deadline of October 2 was set for submittal of applications. OPI will review them and, by October 15, transmit up to 25 for consideration by the Federal government. Given the national competition, it is hoped that some of Montana's applications will receive favorable action.

CENTENNIAL ACRE
AVAILABLE SOON

Information on ordering deeds to square inches of the first Centennial Acre will be available around Thanksgiving, so plan ahead as you're making up your holiday gift-giving list!

Even before the program has been officially announced, inquiries are starting to come in from throughout the United States. However, specifics are still being designed and the Centennial Office is not yet prepared to process orders. "Eighty-Niners" will be among the first to receive ordering details. Plans now call for a series of acres, one designated for each year until the Centennial year of 1989. The program will be initiated this year with a site in the Missouri Headwaters State Park.

MOUNTAIN BELL
PLEDGES SUPPRT

George Ruff, Montana Vice President for Mountain Bell, has informed the Lieutenant Governor of the corporation's intent to purchase 1,000 inches of the Centennial Acre to be used for a public recognition program. Details of the program will be announced later in THE EIGHTY-NINER and through the news media. The Centennial Office appreciates the contributions Mountain Bell and other private-sector entities are lending to celebration planning!

DINNER SLATED
FOR NOVEMBER 7

As part of the Twelfth Annual Montana History Conference in Helena, the First Annual "Eighty-Niners" meeting has been arranged for 5 to 7 p.m. on Thursday night, November 7, at the Colonial Inn. Conference participants and "Eighty-Niners" are invited to attend.

Reservations for the dinner--and registration for the conference--must be indicated on the form below and returned no later than October 31. Persons attending the 89ers dinner only should submit \$12.00. However, attendees at any part of the Friday or Saturday conference events must include the registration fee and pay for other meal functions.

The dinner meeting and some Oral History Association workshops precede the annual history conference, the theme of which this year is "Interpreting Our Heritage: Artifacts, Sites, Literature and Ceremonies." The conference's sessions will focus on Montana's material culture and the ways in which we learn about the past through physical evidence. Folklorists, historians and scholars will discuss the importance of historic sites, ceremonies and traditions, graphics and artifacts in the study of history. The conference will conclude with demonstrations of crafts and folklife activities, including spinning, weaving, basketmaking, flintknapping, and dancing. Complete conference materials are available from the Montana Historical Society.

The 89ers dinner, an added feature to this year's conference, is intended as a chance for members to meet one another informally and to gain a brief update on Centennial planning activities. Commissioners and Centennial Office staff are looking forward to greeting those "Eighty-Niners" who will be travelling to Helena for the November 7 dinner and the November 8 meeting (which will run simultaneous with the first day of the history conference.)

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REGISTRATION FORM - Twelfth Annual Montana History Conference
November 7,8,9, 1985

Name _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Institution or Affiliation 89er/

'89ers DINNER, THURSDAY, Nov. 7.....\$12.00 _____

Conference Registration Fee

(Attendees at Fri. and/or Sat. events).. 15.00 _____

Luncheon, Friday, Nov. 8..... 6.20 _____

Banquet, Friday, Nov. 8 12.00 _____

Breakfast, Saturday, Nov. 9 4.35 _____

Luncheon, Saturday, Nov. 9 6.20 _____

Total enclosed \$ _____

Prices for meals include gratuities. PLEASE INCLUDE PAYMENT WITH THIS FORM. Make checks payable to MONTANA HISTORICAL SOCIETY. Mail to 225 N. Roberts, Helena, MT 59620 for receipt no later than October 31.

REGIONAL MEETING
SCHEDULED FOR 1986

A report summarizing the 1985 Centennial States Caucus last May was mentioned in the last issue of this newsletter. Copies still are available on request from the Centennial Office, P.O. Box 1989, Capitol Station, Helena, MT. 59620.

The 1986 caucus among the six Centennial States--North and South Dakota, Montana, Wyoming, Idaho and Washington--has been called for next May 11-13 in Bellingham, with the last day scheduled for a tour to EXPO '86 in Vancouver. More details on lodging arrangements and the caucus agenda will be forthcoming this fall.

PRESIDENT APPOINTS
CONSTITUTIONAL GROUP

On June 25, President Reagan released the names of 23 people around the nation to serve on the Commission on the Bicentennial of the U. S. Constitution. The Commission was authorized by the Ninety-Eighth Congress. Warren Burger, Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court, chairs the group, which launched its activities on September 17 with a series of hearings. While in Washington, D.C. recently, Montana's Centennial Coordinator, Cheryl Hutchinson, met with the Commission's staff to inform them of Centennial activities in Montana and the northwest region and to begin exploring relationships between the statehood centennials and the national bicentennial commemoration.

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LAST-MINUTE REMINDER. . .

Anyone planning to attend the First Annual 89ers Dinner in Helena on Thursday night, November 7, should be getting reservations in quickly. The Historical Society set a deadline of October 31 for reservations, and a form was included in the September issue of THE EIGHTY-NINER for that purpose and/or for registering for the Twelfth Annual Montana History Conference.

Some questions have come in to the Centennial Office about the dinner arrangements, and here are some answers: (1) It is not limited to "already enrolled" 89ers. Family and friends are welcome. (2) If you are attending only the 89ers dinner, you do not have to register--or pay a fee--for the history conference.

The 89ers meeting, slated for 5-7 p.m. at the Colonial Inn in Helena, is planned essentially as a social event although there will be a brief program. Shortly after the 89ers meeting adjourns, the Historical Society is hosting a reception to launch the history conference, and Jennifer Jeffries-Thompson of the Society says all 89ers and guests are welcome to attend that gathering, too.

If you can't find the registration form but still want to attend the 89ers meeting, mail \$12 to cover the cost of the meal and gratuity to the Montana Historical Society, 225 N. Roberts, Helena, 59620. Be sure to specify "89ers DINNER" since they are taking reservations for many other functions in conjunction with the history conference.

SAMPLER UPDATED

The first Centennial Sampler was issued in February of this year, and a second edition has just been sent to the printers. The update includes all suggestions as of October 15, 1985, and at least a third more material has been added!

Copies of the updated Sampler will be available at the Centennial Commission meeting on Friday, November 8. Additionally, each "Eighty-Niner" will receive a copy with the next issue of this newsletter.

VOLUNTEER NETWORK CONTINUES TO GROW

The enlarged Sampler is directly related to the number of new "Eighty-Niners" who have joined recently. As of October 15, there are 636 members, with the magical number of 600 who reside in Montana. Our out-of-staters hail from California, Colorado, Washington, D.C., Idaho, Ireland, Maryland, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Ontario, Oregon, South Dakota, Virginia, Washington and Wyoming. As the map below shows, Montana members live in 103 of the state's communities.



The Centennial Office does a little coding when "Eighty-Niner" mail is processed, and by our count the membership represents 349 individuals, 77 higher education representatives, 75 organizations, 66 businesses, 37 families, 14 state government workers, 11 schools, and 7 local government officials.

Remember that "Eighty-Niner" membership is open to anyone interested in Statehood Centennial planning, so feel free to recruit! As you know, it costs nothing to join--just the time to jot down ideas or express interest and the postage to mail to P.O. Box 1989, Capitol Station, Helena, MT 59620.

The "Eighty-Niners" are the Centennial's richest resource, and your cards and letters are very much appreciated. The Centennial Office is serving as a clearinghouse, but grass-roots statewide support and imagination will be the key ingredient in making the celebration truly enjoyable and meaningful for all.

CENTENNIAL ACRE
PROGRAM STARTING

The order forms for symbolic deeds to square-inch parcels of the first Centennial Acre at the Missouri Headwaters State Park will be available the first week in November. Montana's banks have been asked to insert the order forms in their statement mailings during November and December to attract buyers during the holiday gift-giving season. But, even before the banks "start stuffing," the Centennial Office will send the order forms to you in the hope that you'll spread them around your community. A quantity of ten will be sent to you automatically, and if you can think of ways to distribute larger quantities--handing them out at meetings, dropping them off at retail outlets, adding them to regular mailings, etc.--we'll be happy to oblige by shipping any amount you need. Thanks to Ward Thompson Paper Company for contributing the stock for the 3 3/4" by 8 1/2" order forms, we will have several thousand to distribute. With no budget for marketing and a short time to get the word out, we need all the help we can get. The Centennial Acre program is the first major Centennial fundraising effort, and its success will make a big difference in how prepared we will be for 1989 activities.

A Request for Proposals recently has been released, seeking an agent in Montana who will process the deeds. Such services will require accounting, data/word processing and mailing capacities. The deeds will be 8" by 10" on parchment-like paper in three colors plus a gold-foil state seal. Copies of the RFP are available on request from the Centennial Office if you--or some firm you know of in-state--might be interested in bidding.

If you have any ideas on marketing the deed sales, please let the Centennial Office know as soon as possible. Write to the "Eighty-Niners" address or call our new telephone number, 444-1989. Since the Centennial Acre program relies heavily on contributed services, any assistance will be appreciated.

COMMISSION HAS
FIRST MEETING

As the last newsletter and press reports indicated, the newly appointed Centennial Commission conducted its first meeting on September 30 and October 1 in the Governor's Reception Room at the State Capitol. The first afternoon, Commission members reviewed their duties, were briefed on the financial framework, met representatives from state agencies who have been working with the Centennial Office on planning, and discussed such organizational issues as potential committees. The next morning, action was taken on initiating a logo contest, approving recommendations for implementing the Centennial Acre program, proceeding with commemorative license plates as authorized by the legislature, agreeing that granite recently removed from the Capitol might be made into collectibles, concurring in a proposal to request a six-state block of commemorative stamps from the U.S. Postal Service, and exploring participation in a Centennial States exhibit at EXPO '86 opening in Vancouver next May. There was general agreement to conduct quarterly meetings around February, May, September and November.

NEXT MEETING SET
FOR NOVEMBER 7-8

As the last EIGHTY-NINER announced, the second meeting of the Montana Statehood Centennial Commission is scheduled for Thursday afternoon (preceding the First Annual 89ers Dinner) and all day Friday, November 7 and 8. The November 7 business meeting will begin at 1 p.m. in the Governor's Reception Room on the second floor of the State Capitol. Among others, agenda items will include a report from the Department of Revenue on the tax-deductibility of contributions to the Centennial Office, a progress report from the Department of Justice on implementation of the commemorative license plate option, preliminary discussion on criteria for endorsing projects, establishment of rules for the logo contest, and a status report on the cost and content of a six-state Centennial exhibit at EXPO '86.

November 8, which marks the 96th anniversary of Montana's admission to statehood, has been set aside for the Commission to be introduced to the full range of suggestions that have been submitted by "Eighty-Niners" and other members of the public. An updated Centennial Sampler will be used to guide the discussion, with items alphabetized under A-C to be considered from 8-10 a.m., D through L from 10:30 to noon, M-R from 1-2:30 p.m., and S-Z from 3 p.m. until the conclusion of the meeting. The day-long session will be in the Old Supreme Court Chambers on the third floor of the State Capitol; observers are welcome in the fourth-floor balcony. The public is invited to address the Commission. Several "Eighty-Niners" already have reserved time to present their proposals personally, which will be limited to approximately 10 minutes each. Even if personal presentations are not made, all ideas in the Sampler will be reviewed. No decisions will be made by the Commission on November 8 and a framework is not yet in place for endorsements or financial support for any of the suggestions, but the day will provide an excellent opportunity for the Commission and others to gain greater appreciation of the full range of options and opportunities already identified.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR AND COUNTDOWN!

Best wishes for a satisfying and successful 1986 to all "Eighty-Niners." Just three years from now, Montanans will be launching their Statehood Centennial Year. The calendar countdown begins in earnest this year, with last year being an important organizational time. To recap: legislation authorized official administration to begin, the Centennial Office was opened, a Centennial Commission to advise the office was appointed by the Governor, the Centennial Acre fundraising program was launched, a logo contest was initiated, and a regional caucus was formed. 1986 promises selection of an official logo and implementation of product/project endorsement procedures, along with on-going fundraising activities, some special recognition programs, and tentative scheduling decisions. Although funding remains low, spirits are high and the planning that has taken place continues to pay dividends as we proceed.

NEWSLETTER HAS DETAILS

Eight issues of this newsletter have been published since late 1984, and if you're new to the "Eighty-Niners" or just want to refresh your memory, those back issues cover many steps in the planning process. Included with this issue of THE EIGHTY-NINER is a summary of the contents for your reference. Copies may be ordered from the Centennial Office, P.O. Box 1989, Capitol Station, Helena, MT 59620 or 444-1989, although quantities are limited.

SAMPLER UPDATED, YET OUT OF DATE

The Centennial Sampler containing an alphabetical listing of suggestions from "Eighty-Niners" was updated recently, with a second edition released October 15, 1985. A copy is included with this mailing, and you may note that about a third more material was added. Your ideas and proposals are very much appreciated, and the Centennial Office is keeping them catalogued for future consideration. Since October 15, many new "Eighty-Niners" have been enrolled and more suggestions have come in, so the second edition is already out of date, however. Later this year, a supplement or third edition will be compiled.

CONTEST RULES ANNOUNCED

Lt. Gov. George Turman, Commission Chair, released logo competition guidelines to the media in December and copies also were mailed directly to schools, campuses and arts-related businesses and organizations. A copy is included for your use or to pass along to some artistic friend of yours.

MEMBERSHIP GROWS

The volunteer network is increasing all the time. A map and membership report were included in the introduction to the new Sampler, and more than 190 new members have joined between October 15 and January 8. More communities are represented, of course, which will certainly help when local committees are formed. Perhaps local "Eighty-Niner" meetings can be organized in the coming months. If you're interested in starting something in your area, names of fellow "Eighty-Niners" are available on request from the Centennial Office. Also, Commission members and Office staff are available for speaking engagements as time and other resources permit.

COMMISSION MEETS

The second meeting of the Montana Statehood Centennial Commission was November 7-8. At a Thursday afternoon business session, members were briefed on the many individuals and firms that had been of assistance and on the status of several programs to date. They received a report on the Centennial Office's position with the Internal Revenue Service, and it looks as though most of the money received can be claimed as tax deductible. The Commission approved guidelines for the logo contest and received a progress report on the commemorative license plates that should be available later this year (the Division of Motor Vehicles is dealing with design aspects now). Two committees were endorsed; see articles elsewhere in this issue. All day Friday, the 96th anniversary of Montana's admission to statehood, the Commission reviewed the suggestions in the Centennial Sampler and heard presentations on a variety of proposals. No decisions were made but it was an interesting and informative session. Endorsements will not begin until later this year when criteria are in place.

The next meeting will be in late February or early March. The specific date and agenda will be announced in the next issue of this newsletter.

In conjunction with the November meeting, Commission members attended the First Annual 89ers Dinner. Nearly 120 people gathered for a good meal and short program. About half of the crowd already were "Eighty-Niners" and several people signed up on the spot. Given the success of the first dinner, we'd guess we've started a tradition! At least a five-year tradition. . .

NMC HOLDS LITERATURE CONFERENCE

On January 23-25, Northern Montana College in Havre is sponsoring "Profiles Against the Landscape" to examine the literary heritage of Montana's history. An impressive group of speakers is scheduled. All or part of the conference can be attended, and there is no registration fee unless continuing education credits are involved. Partial funding was granted by the Montana Committee for the Humanities. Registration forms and a complete agenda are available from Kathy Suagee, Northern Montana College, Havre, MT 59501. The works of past and present authors will be shared and discussed in two days and three nights of presentations and readings.

INTERESTED IN
CONSTITUTIONAL
COMMEMORATION?

Volunteers are invited to join a new Constitutional Connections Committee to be chaired by Commission member and former supreme court chief justice Frank Haswell. The committee will focus on Montana's

participation in national bicentennials--the U.S. Constitution in 1987 and the U.S. Bill of Rights in 1991--as well as preparation for the 20th anniversary of our state constitution in 1992. Issues of statehood are closely linked with the federal legal structure, and there is some fascinating history surrounding the late 1800's when Montana and other northwestern states entered the union when the nation was experiencing its centennial. A special commission has been appointed by President Reagan to plan the national bicentennial celebrations, and our Constitutional Connections Committee undoubtedly will have some intriguing issues to consider. If you want to be a member of Judge Haswell's committee, please inform the Centennial Office by the end of February.

LEWIS AND CLARK
TRAIL COMMITTEE

Membership on a special Expedition/Centennial Coordinating Committee also is open on a volunteer basis. To be chaired by Marshall Johnson of Great

Falls, the committee will not duplicate the work of the many Lewis and Clark groups around the state but will work to coordinate a master schedule to highlight the trail and the contributions the expedition made to achieving statehood. Marshall plans to invite representation from several organizations, but individuals are welcome to serve also. If you're interested, let the Centennial Office know by February 28, please.

INTER-STATE
COOPERATION

The six states that formed the Centennial States Caucus--Washington, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming and North and South Dakota--are continuing to communicate about

possible regional programs. State agency representatives in both the arts and tourism each are conducting meetings this month to explore the potential. A full caucus is called for May 11-13 in Bellingham, across the border from the EXPO '86 in Vancouver. More information about regional progress and participation will be forthcoming.

PLAN AHEAD!

Cheryl Hutchinson, Centennial Coordinator, is eyeing the calendar, as are others who ask such questions as

"what day does November 8, 1989, fall on" and "will July 4 be on a weekend?" To help you with your scheduling:

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When ordering, include the name and address of recipient(s) for **each** deed and specify where deeds should be mailed. Make checks payable to the Montana Statehood Centennial Office. Additional contributions or an added amount of \$2 to cover postage and handling are welcome.

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DEED SALES INITIATED

The display ad above is one of four different sizes distributed around the state for use in publications as donated space. Many associations have been running the display ads in their newsletters, for which we are thankful. With no budget for marketing the Centennial Acre program, it was a challenge to initiate sales. However, cooperation made it possible to get nearly 368,000 order forms circulated recently, many as inserts with bank statements. Contributions from Artcraft Printers, Ward Thompson Paper Company, Dixon Paper Company and Carpenter Paper Company allowed a large run, and the Centennial Office still has quantities of the order forms in stock if you can think of ways to use them.

The holiday season was busy, but we like it that way! We hope to be processing deeds throughout the year. If you've not yet ordered your deed, it usually takes not more than 5 days from the time the order is received. Many who have purchased the deeds have complimented their appearance: on parchment-like paper with red and black ink and a gold-foil seal with the holder's name prominently displayed, each one is quite a framable document.

SPEAKING OF ADVERTISING

Some "Eighty-Niners" have asked to have their products or services featured in this newsletter as well as in the Sampler. Because no official endorsements have been granted, such "plugs" are not yet appropriate. As a compromise, we will begin accepting advertising--business card reprints or "classified ads" not exceeding five lines--for \$10 per issue to help defray printing costs. If you're interested in pursuing that option, talk with Centennial Coordinator Cheryl Hutchinson about the specifics.

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AN "ALMOST-LOGO" CHOSEN MARCH 10

At its third meeting, the Montana Statehood Centennial Commission came close to selecting an official logo, but final adoption awaits adaptations by the artist. From among 147 entries in the Centennial Logo Design Competition announced in the last newsletter and elsewhere, a screening panel forwarded 4 finalists for the Commission's consideration:



Commission members expressed preference for the one similar to the popular "Made in Montana" symbol, but requested revisions to make it distinctively identifiable with the Centennial. The screening panel scored each of the 147 entries according to three criteria: artistic merit, adaptability and relevance. The panel was impressed with both the quality and quantity of the submissions. It is obvious that Montana means many things to many people, and the visual images depicted speak well for the diversity the state has to offer. Names of the entrants, including the four finalists, are being withheld until a final decision is made so as not to influence the Commission's action.

Final selection likely will occur before the Commission's next meeting, tentatively scheduled for May 27, through mail ballot or conference call. Public use of the logo will be delayed, however, until later in the year after application procedures and a possible royalty fee are set. Plans are underway for incorporating the logo on new commemorative vehicle license plates to be issued sometime during the summer, according to the Motor Vehicle Division. THE EIGHTY-NINER, of course, will report on the details as they develop.

CENTENNIAL STATES
TO CAUCUS IN MAY

Representatives of six states--Montana, Washington, North and South Dakota, Idaho and Wyoming--will gather in Bellingham, Washington, May 11-12 for the second annual Centennial States Caucus. An optional bus tour to EXPO '86 in Vancouver, British Columbia, is available on May 13. The caucus calls for small- and large-group sessions in such areas as the arts, education, history, humanities, libraries, parks/recreation, travel/tourism, and statewide planning/administration in anticipation of the 1989 and 1990 celebrations. Officials from the western Canadian provinces also are expected to participate.



The purposes of the caucus are to keep informed about the status of centennial planning in each state, to exchange ideas and to explore areas meriting cooperative attention. Montana currently serves as the caucus coordinator, conferring with centennial staffs in other states. More than 70 people attended the 1985 caucus, which occurred in Spokane with assistance from the Inland Northwest Tourism Coalition.

The 1986 agenda tentatively provides for Sunday afternoon topical caucus sessions and an opening banquet. The banquet speaker is not yet certain, but it will be someone addressing the national 1987-91 bicentennials and the coincidence of the six states joining the union during the nation's centennial era. Monday's session will begin with progress reports from each state and the planners of Calgary's 1988 Winter Olympic Games. Before a buffet-style luncheon, there will be workshops on such topics as organizing local celebrations and the licensing of commemorative products. The afternoon will focus on progress within the topical groups, concluding with full caucus reaction and discussion. Last year, several dozen ideas for regional cooperation were presented.

If you want to receive complete details and registration materials for the May Centennial States Caucus, please notify Cheryl Hutchinson, Montana's Centennial Coordinator, by April 7 c/o P.O. Box 1989, Capitol Station, Helena 59620.

ACRE MONUMENTING
SET FOR APRIL 5

MARLS, the Montana Association of Registered Land Surveyors, has chosen Saturday, April 5, as the day to "monument" the state's first Centennial Acre at the Missouri Headwaters State Park north of Three Forks. Cornerstones, from the same quarry that provided the granite for the exterior of the Capitol in Helena, will be placed to mark the acre. The center of the acre also will be indicated with a pyramid-type structure built from grapefruit-sized stones that MARLS members and others from around the state are contributing. "Eighty-Niners" are invited to participate in the event, which will begin at 10 a.m. and include a picnic, weather permitting.

COMMITTEES SET
INITIAL DATES

In the last issue of THE EIGHTY-NINER, two new committees to be affiliated with the Centennial Office were announced. Membership was invited on a volunteer basis. At the March 10 Centennial Commission meeting, initial committee membership and meeting dates were reported.

The Constitutional Connections Committee, to be chaired by Commission member and former Supreme Court Chief Justice Frank Haswell, is slated to convene on Friday, April 25, in Helena. Nearly 20 persons volunteered to serve from around the state, with a good mix of citizens, academics, lawyers, educators and others. The committee will deal with such events as the bicentennials of the U.S. Constitution in 1987 and the Bill of Rights in 1991, the 200th anniversary of the formation of the three branches of the federal government in 1989, and preparations for a 1990 public vote on calling another state constitutional convention.

The Expedition/Centennial Coordinating Committee will work on a master schedule to highlight the Lewis and Clark Trail during the centennial year. Up to ten members, many representing existing groups interested in the Lewis and Clark Expedition, will meet with Chairman Marshall Johnson of Great Falls on Wednesday, May 8, in Helena.

More information about either of the committees is available on request from the Centennial Office.

DEED SALES
CONTINUING

Every day, a few more orders for symbolic deeds are received and, naturally, we'd like to see the volume increase. Display ads like the one at right are still available on request, as are large quantities of order forms for distribution at meetings, stores and other locations.

In April during the Cherry Blossom Festival in our nation's capital, Montana's 1986 Princess--Anne Beck, formerly of Great Falls--will present deeds to all the other princesses. Thanks to the Montana State Society and ASARCO for making the gifts possible!

Some organizations have inquired about purchasing deeds for special recognition programs, which sounds like a great idea. Individual and bulk orders are appreciated.

**Give
an
inch!**

Personalized deeds signifying an interest in "The Last of What is Best in America" are now available. Make a symbolic investment in historic, scenic Missouri Headwaters State Park! Each deed "officially" entitles the holder to the "general enjoyment of the riches of the Treasure State." Great gifts for family and friends, the deeds at \$10 each are a perfect way to help Montana prepare for her 100th birthday as a state in 1989.

Order from:
The Centennial Store
P.O. Box 1989
Capitol Station
Helena, MT 59620

MONTANA
Centennial Acre



NO ENDORSEMENTS
FOR TIME BEING

Although the Centennial Office is regularly receiving--and welcoming--suggestions and proposals for ways that individuals, businesses, associations, communities and others can be involved in the 1989 celebration, no endorsements have been given yet. It will be later this year, probably fall at the earliest, before criteria and licensing procedures are in place.

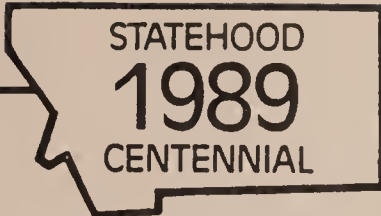
Calls have been received from people who have been asked to invest in specific products or projects, and they are wondering if they are "official." To date, all proposals are in a pending status while we continue to serve as a clearinghouse on the options and opportunities.

The only "official" Centennial activities so far are those approved by the legislature (Centennial Acre deed sales and license plate, for example) and those that are Office or Commission initiated (logo contest and a few soon-to-be-announced recognition and fundraising projects). Several state agencies also are planning Centennial-related activities as part of their on-going program responsibilities.

1987 promises to be an active year for formal consideration and sanctioning of proposals by the Centennial Office and Commission. With a two-year advance on the Centennial Year, that schedule should accommodate most planning, production and marketing needs. With some variations, the other Centennial States in the region are proceeding at somewhat the same pace, particularly on the merchandising issues.

"THE EIGHTY-NINERS"
P.O. Box 1989
Capitol Station
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THE EIGHTY-NINER

NEWS AND VIEWS IN PREPARATION FOR MONTANA'S STATEHOOD CENTENNIAL.
COMPILED ESPECIALLY FOR VOLUNTEERS WHO HAVE IDENTIFIED THEMSELVES
TO: "THE EIGHTY-NINERS," P.O. BOX 1989, CAPITOL STATION, HELENA, MT 59620

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BUSY TIMES

Summer has been moving along at a fast pace in the Centennial Office. This newsletter reports on several activities that have been initiated and some events that are becoming "traditions" of sorts. With budget and staffing restraints, the main thing we can't seem to keep up with is daily correspondence; apologies to newly enrolled "Eighty-Niners" for the delay in processing your mail. The network continues to grow, and we'll try to keep everybody up to date as the Centennial spirit spreads.

IMMEDIATE DEADLINE

This newsletter describes plans for several events in Missoula from September 11 through 13. Some of them require reservations and advance payment with the Montana Historical Society. Please note that the registration form on page 9 requests a September 4 response.

A summary of the three-day schedule is as follows: Thursday all day, Centennial Workshops; Thursday evening, 2nd Annual 89ers Reception and Dinner; Friday all day, first day of historical conference; Friday morning, regular Centennial Commission meeting; Friday afternoon, informal hearing on proposed rules for sanctioning program before the full Centennial Commission; Saturday all day, last day of historical conference. The times and places for Centennial activities appear in the articles on pages 3 and 9.

SIX-STATE COOPERATION CONTINUES

On May 11-12, representatives from the six Centennial States--Montana, Washington, North and South Dakota, Idaho and Wyoming--participated in the Second Annual Centennial States Caucus to discuss possibilities for joint efforts. A common logo and maps or calendar for tourism marketing seem likely, as do some traveling exhibits in the cultural circles. Enthusiasm for coordination was high, and the information exchange was invaluable. All six states now have commissions, and all will be staffed by next month. The third annual meeting will be in Great Falls on May 22-23, 1987, so we can give our neighbors a rousing MONTANA! welcome. Montana serves as Caucus Coordinator and is working on a report from the 1986 meeting, so if you want a copy let Cheryl Hutchinson, MT Centennial Coordinator, know care of the Lieutenant Governor's Office or the address on the masthead above.

CENTENARIANS

NOW HONORED

Our newest public project is yielding great rewards. Announced in May under sponsorship from Mountain Bell, the Century Citizen Project involves seeking nominations, presenting awards and documenting the memories of the state's eldest citizens.

Anyone who will be 100 years of age or older in 1989 and has resided in Montana most of his or her life is eligible. So far, more than 50 people have been nominated and, for those where presentations have taken place, it is quite apparent we have some spritely 97-plus-year-olds in our midst!

Mountain Bell employees, the Montana Television Network (MTN), the Governor's Council on Aging, the State Historical Society and the Office of Public Instruction are playing various roles in the project, which is administered by the Statehood Centennial Office. When nominations are received, a complimentary deed to the Centennial Acre and a congratulatory letter from Governor Ted Schwinden are forwarded to Mountain Bell. Telephone company representatives then work with the nominator or family to arrange a presentation at the Century Citizen's place of residence. If permission is granted, students or the MTN also may conduct interviews for a publication or television special. An "Honor Roll" is maintained for the state's permanent record by the Centennial Office, and an annual recognition ceremony is conducted at the Governor's Conference on Aging.

Nominations must include the person's name, address, birthdate and brief history, along with the nominator's name, address and phone number. Nominations will be accepted at P.O. Box 1989, Capitol Station, Helena 59620 through January 1, 1989.

George Ruff, Montana Vice President for Mountain Bell, expressed his company's pleasure in being able to honor Montanans whose lives span that of the state. "They are true treasures in this Treasure State, and it is fitting that our youth and others learn from some of their experiences," he said.

AGENT SOUGHT
FOR GRANITE

When the State Capitol was renovated recently, several tons of granite that has "overseen some 75 years of statehouse history" was given to the Centennial Office for fundraising purposes. A Request for Proposals (RFP) has been issued, seeking an agent to handle manufacturing and marketing of products (e.g., paperweights, bookends, "chips" off the Capitol), with bids due by September 15. Proposals need to include a description of bidder's capacities, a sample product line, a pricing scheme, a marketing plan and a schedule. If you want a copy of the RFP, please call Cheryl Hutchinson at 444-3111 or 444-1989.

COMMISSION
BUSINESS

Since the last newsletter, members of the Montana Statehood Centennial Commission conducted their fourth meeting and laid plans for their fifth session together. As covered in the media, on June 9th the Commission formally adopted the official Centennial logo. A copy appears here, but be advised that the logo is not yet available for public use; it is protected by trademark and will require a licensing procedure prior to granting permission for its use. Also in June, the Commission gave its policy advice to staff on the drafting of rules for the official sanctioning program, including guidance on the use of the logo.



The next Commission meeting is scheduled for Friday, September 12, at the University Center in Missoula. In the morning, staff will brief members on the status of several on-going and pending programs--possibly including the unveiling of the new commemorative license plate design and announcing the site of the second Centennial Acre--and, in the afternoon, an informal hearing is scheduled (see below).

SANCTIONING
PROGRAM IN
DRAFT STAGE

On the following pages are proposed rules scheduled to appear in the August 28 edition of the Montana Administrative Register (MAR) published through the Secretary of State's Office.

The notice describes the approach the Centennial Office and Commission intend to take in allowing use of the logo and registering various products and projects as part of the official commemoration.

Since the MAR mainly goes to public agencies and lawyers, a special reprint is provided here so all "Eighty-Niners" can examine the full text and give us reactions. You will note that comments can be submitted in writing, and oral testimony also will be taken at a series of public hearings. The formal hearings listed in the notice are in Billings, Glasgow and Great Falls. Additionally, an informal hearing before the full Commission is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. on Friday, September 12, in the Montana Rooms of the University Center on the campus of the University of Montana in Missoula.

Please read the notice over carefully and let us know what you think. Once adopted, the rules will apply to many of you, and now is the time to influence our direction.

BEFORE THE MONTANA STATEHOOD CENTENNIAL OFFICE
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

In the matter of the adoption of) NOTICE OF PUBLIC
Rules I through IX relating to) HEARINGS
sanctioning official centennial)
commemorative products and)
projects)

TO: All Interested Persons:

1. On September 18, 1986 at 7 p.m. in the Third Floor Conference Room, Parmlly Billings Library in Billings; on September 24, 1986 at 7 p.m. at the Valley County Courthouse in Glasgow; and on September 25, 1986 at 7 p.m. in the Commission Chambers, Civic Center in Great Falls, public hearings will be held to consider the proposed adoption of rules pertaining to the sanctioning of official commemorative products and projects.

2. The proposed new rules do not replace or modify any section currently found in the Administrative Rules of Montana.

3. The rules as proposed to be adopted provide as follows:

RULE I PURPOSE (1) The general purposes of the Montana statehood centennial office and commission (hereinafter "office" and "commission") as set out in 2-89-107, MCA include fostering community, statewide and regional activities; assuring active citizen involvement and diversity of the presentation of topics; and focusing national and international attention on Montana "while reminding Montanans what Montana has been, is and hopes to become."

(2) The specific purposes of the sanctioning program are to promote quality in all activities associated with the centennial, to assure variety in the types of activities available, to foster awareness and appreciation of Montana's human and natural assets, and to raise revenue to support administrative and other functions.

(3) To consistently identify officially recognized centennial activities, a logo has been adopted. The logo shall be used in conjunction with as many sanctioned products and projects as possible.

(4) The sanctioning program is designed with some incentives for participation by both the producing and consuming public. The sanctioning program will allow a central source of information to provide a descriptive registry of items, events and services affiliated with the official commemoration and to cooperatively market or publicize those items, events and services.

(5) No restriction on the location of potential licensees is made, but Montana applicants are encouraged to participate and may incorporate additional terminology or, if approved by the department of commerce, affix the "Made in Montana" logo to indicate their place of origin.

AUTH: 2-89-106, MCA; MCA: 2-89-101, 2-89-105, 2-89-107, MCA.

RULE II USES OF THE LOGO (1) The logo is the sole property of the Montana statehood centennial office and shall not be used without the express permission of the office. No member of office staff or the commission may use the logo for his or her personal use. No member of office staff or the commission may authorize others to use the logo unless specifically delegated such responsibility. Except as provided in (2), no individual, firm, partnership, corporation, association, union or other organization, private or governmental, may use the logo without obtaining a license from office.

(2) Newspapers of general circulation and public broadcasting stations are authorized to use the logo for public information and public service in print and visual form. Such media uses include: news dissemination; public service messages intended to further public awareness; historical features such as "centennial minutes"; and in any manner protected by the first amendment of the United States constitution, such as editorial comment. However, nothing herein is intended to permit use of the logo by the various media in any manner to generate commercial revenue or to suggest sanctioning of any media-sponsored centennial-related activity or of subjects covered. Office shall, on request of media, provide quality copies of the logo but media shall not transfer to other parties access to such copies without express permission.

(3) All other uses shall be by license applied for and approved, contingent upon payment of a fee or royalty, or both, established by office.

(4)(a) For non-commercial uses, the following entities may be granted a license to use the logo for purposes other than for generating revenue or implying sanction of a particular project, program, event or service:

(i) state and local government agencies;

(ii) non-profit organizations with proof of IRS Code 501(c)3 or 501(c)4 status;

(iii) local centennial committees registered with the office;

(iv) commercial enterprises wishing to generally promote the centennial (e.g., grocery stores willing to have specially printed sacks).

(b) Each application must specify precisely how the logo is to be used, including its placement on any printed material. Each license shall require payment of a minimal fee, determined by office, to recover costs for materials and processing.

(5) For commercial and other uses, entities wishing to use the logo in conjunction with any officially sanctioned product, program, event or service--either for profit or not for profit--must pay an initial fee and royalties based on a percentage of revenues generated. The initial fee will be

\$250 and the royalty payment, not to exceed 7.5 percent of gross sales, must be calculated and paid quarterly. The office shall examine each application independently and may negotiate or waive required fees as circumstances dictate; for example, for a licensee representing more than one product, program, event or service, a combined fee agreement may be available.

(6) Strict graphics standards must be adhered to in all uses of the logo. On payment of the required fees, office shall provide licensees with a graphics standards manual containing high-quality reproduction proofs of the logo in various sizes and, if appropriate, a color key. The manual must specify guidelines on the graphics standards necessary to insure integrity of the original logo design and its reproduction.

(7) The logo may appear in one or multiple colors as specified in the manual. Any variations from those specifications must be applied for and approved in advance.

(8) Adaptations or stylized versions of the logo may be developed to accommodate localized or thematically affiliated activities. The manual will specify the format and conditions for such adaptations, and use of any such adaptations may involve a special fee for processing and preparation.

(9) Any application for license to use the logo must be in or on a form prescribed by office. Only those applications containing complete information and assurances will be processed. Prior to using the logo, licensees must have a licensing agreement in writing from office.

(10) The logo is protected by trademark and other means, and the trademark symbol must be included in any reproductions of the logo.

(11) In granting use of the logo, office does not convey general endorsement or sponsorship to licensees. Only in exceptional circumstances where particular benefit to the commemoration is demonstrated and additional compensation is rendered will exclusive licenses be issued for rights to one-of-a-kind projects, programs, events or services.

AUTH: 2-89-106, MCA; IMP: 2-89-101, 2-89-105, MCA

RULE III OFFICIAL COMMEMORATIVE PRODUCTS (1) No product may be held out or advertised as a sanctioned product until office has issued a license applied for in a form provided by office and licensee has paid appropriate fees.

(2) Through unsolicited proposals by application, the office and commission encourage and expect a wide array of products to be associated with the official commemoration. However, the office may issue requests for proposals for some products over which it wishes to maintain ownership and distribution control or which would otherwise be absent from the marketplace.

(3) Sanctioned products must be identified as such.

Office may require that the official logo be used on sanctioned products or packaging, or both. In certain instances, the logo may be referred to as the "centennial

seal." Wording that a sanctioned product is "registered with the official Montana statehood centennial commemoration," or is "an official commemorative [or souvenir] of the Montana centennial" is acceptable. Only in exceptional circumstances when an exclusive license is issued should the word "the" precede the identifying clause. Licensees may not use language that indicates the product is "endorsed" by the office or commission.

(4) Sanctioned products must meet high standards of quality and safety, including all applicable industry standards, laws and regulations. The state, the commission, the office and the members and employees thereof shall not be liable for sanctioned products. Licensees are responsible for their products and for carrying appropriate liability insurance. Licensing agreements must contain provisions to assure that appropriate standards are met and that the state of Montana is indemnified and held harmless for product performance or use. Office may refuse to license products on the basis of factors listed in (4) and (5) or if they are deemed objectionable or inappropriate (e.g., personal hygiene items and objects that glamorize drug use, crime or violence) for public presentation in conjunction with the official commemoration.

(5) Technical, marketing, financial and other factors will be considered in review of applications. Among criteria to be addressed in the application process will be production capacity, commitments and quality control; compliance with applicable state or federal design and environmental standards; warranty or guarantee provisions; terms and conditions of sale proposed, including pricing; distribution arrangements; availability of promotional materials; market penetration projections; financial references and accounting abilities; and originality and appropriateness of product to centennial commemoration. Staff reviews will be conducted by the office with occasional advice from selected state agencies prior to presentation of applications to the commission.

(6) One copy of each product for which a license is issued must be deposited with office and will become the permanent property of the state of Montana. If a sample is not provided at the time of application, design specifications or a prototype must be submitted. Under no circumstances should a sanctioned product be released for sale until the copy is in office's possession.

(7) Distribution, wholesaling and retailing functions for sanctioned products are the responsibility of individual licensees. Office intends to produce a catalog of official commemoratives at some time prior to 1989 and may assist in the identification of outlets; however, licensees may not rely on office for marketing or distribution functions.

AUTH: 2-89-106, MCA; IMP: 2-89-101, 2-89-105, 2-89-107, MCA

RULE IV OFFICIAL COMMEMORATIVE PROJECTS (1) Office and commission encourage the development of a wide range of

activities--including, but not limited to those educational, cultural, recreational and promotional in nature--with which the logo may or may not be used as covered in Rule II and which may or may not involve a tangible "product" as covered in Rule III. To register a program, event or service as an official commemorative project, sponsors must be licensed in a manner similar to the product sanctioning procedures referred to in Rule III. Such registration will assure recognition and serve clearinghouse, coordination and scheduling purposes.

(2) Sanctioned projects must be identified as such. If feasible, the logo must be used in conjunction with registered projects as part of programming materials, publicity, signs, or other elements. Wording that the program, event or service is "registered as an official Montana statehood centennial activity [or project]" is acceptable. Sponsors may not use language that indicates licensed activities are "endorsed" by the office or commission or portray cosponsorship unless arrangement for same has been specifically incorporated in the licensing agreement.

(3) Applicants for projects intending to use the logo in any way shall follow procedures specified in Rule II. Applicants for projects not using the logo shall apply on registration forms provided by office. Depending on the project proposed, review of applications may be conducted consistent with any appropriate state agency's existing criteria (e.g., Montana arts council, historical society, state library, promotion division, parks division, office of public instruction) and may, on occasion, involve staff from those agencies in formulating office's presentation for commission action.

(4) Except for a minimal registration fee to recover costs for processing, no standard charge will be assessed for official commemorative projects. For events where an admission fee is collected, office may negotiate for contribution of a percentage of the proceeds. For other programs, events or services, sponsors at the time of application shall propose funding plans, including any dedication of proceeds for local or state centennial activities.

AUTH: 2-89-106, MCA; IMP: 2-89-101, 2-89-105, 2-89-107, MCA

RULE V SCHEDULE (1) Office intends to make application forms for the sanctioning program available no later than January 1, 1987. Office does not intend to act on any applications before February 27, 1987. At the time of application, prospective licensees shall indicate the intended schedule of their product or project; generally, products should be available no later than November 8, 1988.

AUTH: 2-89-105, MCA; IMP: 2-89-101, 2-89-102, 2-89-107, MCA.

RULE VI PERSONAL ENDORSEMENTS No member of the commission, office staff or the governor may be quoted or

photographed by other than the media in conjunction with any official commemorative product or project for purposes of advertising or publicity without express written permission specifying the conditions for using such quotation or photograph.

AUTH: 2-89-101, 2-89-105, MCA; IMP: 2-89-105, MCA

RULE VII INFORMATION ACCESS Office is authorized to use any and all material filed with applications--including photographs, artwork or other attachments--in production of its publications, such as catalogs and calendars.

AUTH: 2-89-105, MCA; IMP: 2-89-105, MCA

RULE VIII DURATION AND ENFORCEMENT (1) Information provided in application will be used to determine duration of license. Licenses may be subject to periodic renewals.

(2) Licenses can be revoked at any time if, in office's discretion, use has exceeded the scope of authorization or is otherwise detrimental to the programs or image of the centennial. Any violation of these rules shall subject the violator to any and all criminal punishment and civil penalties provided by law.

AUTH: 2-89-101, 2-89-105, MCA; IMP: 2-89-101, 2-89-105, 2-89-107, MCA.

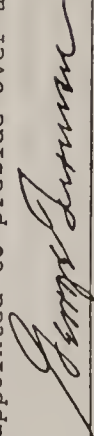
RULE IX WAIVERS Office, in consultation with commission, may waive certain provisions in Rules I through VIII as special circumstances warrant.

AUTH: 2-89-106, MCA; IMP: 2-78-101, 2-89-105, 2-89-107, MCA.

4. The office is proposing new rules I through IX because the 49th Legislative Session enacted House Bill 873 which provides for the administration of statehood centennial activities. Office is authorized to adopt rules to administer the provisions of the statutes. The rules are necessary because of the numerous inquiries that have been made relating to use of the logo or other official designations.

5. Interested parties may submit their data, views, or arguments concerning the proposed adoption at the public hearings or in writing to: Centennial Office, P. O. Box 1989, Capitol Station, Helena, MT 59620 no later than October 3, 1986.

6. Lieutenant Governor George Turman, or a designated representative, has been appointed to preside over and conduct the hearings.


LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR GEORGE TURMAN,
Statehood Centennial Commission Chairman

Certified to Secretary of State August 18, 1986.

MAR Notice 30-1

**ORGANIZING AID
NOW AVAILABLE**

One of the special workshops at the six-state regional meeting was conducted by Keith Petersen of Pullman, Washington, who was contracted by the Idaho State Historical Society to produce an up-to-date handbook for organizers of diamond jubilees, centennials and other community organizations.

Historical Celebrations, as the handbook is titled, covers the basics of organizing projects, fundraising, sample project activities, publicity, and several case studies. Copies of the paperback edition are available for \$10 plus \$2 postage per copy. Checks should be made payable to: Idaho State Historical Society. Orders should be sent to: Historical Celebrations Book, Idaho State Historical Society, 610 N. Julia Davis Drive, Boise, ID 83702.

**NEW MONTANA
TOURS BOOK**

Speaking of new books, the Montana Historical Society Press recently released **A Traveler's Companion to Montana History**. In 256 pages with more than 150 photos, author Carroll Van West organized in seven chapters regional routes with descriptions of major historical landscapes. Copies are available for immediate delivery for \$10.95 paperback (includes \$1 shipping) from the MHSP, 225 North Roberts Street, Helena, MT 59620, or from local bookstores.

**WARRANTS
DONATED**

Mary Hawkins, an "Eighty-Niner" in Billings, has generously donated a quantity of territorial and state warrants from 1887 through 1892 to the Centennial Office for fundraising purposes. Mary and her husband Dale bought up the remaining supply of the warrants after the Territorial Centennial celebration, and the historical appraisal of her donation is now valued at \$7,750. Many of the warrants are for bounty on predatory animals and are matted with border sketches by noted artist J. K. Ralston. The state warrants are for miscellaneous supplies and services for various offices during the early years of statehood. The Historical Society has agreed to serve as an agent for sales of the warrants, at \$15 each, through their merchandising program in Helena. If you would like to purchase any, or have ideas for sales outlets outside of Helena, please let the Centennial Office know. All proceeds will support planning for or activities during 1989.

ADVERTISING

Many people have asked that their product or project be mentioned in this newsletter. Except for those administered by the Centennial Office or other state agencies such as in the three articles above, we can't give such "plugs." In the January issue, however, we did offer to run paid advertising--business card reprints or "classified ads" not exceeding five lines--for \$10 per issue to help defray printing costs. The ad below is our first example.

*****PAID ADVERTISING*****
11A: RAISE MONEY FOR YOUR CENTENNIAL PROJECT! HAVE A "NO-RISK FUNDRAISER."
CONTACT AMERICA'S COWBOY SINGER AND ENTERTAINER: VAL GEISSLER, P.O. BOX 1274,
HAMILTON, MT 59840. MANY REFERENCES AVAILABLE.

CONSTITUTION
CONNECTIONS

The Montana Constitutional Connections Committee affiliated with the Centennial Office has been notified that, in June, the U.S. Commission on the Bicentennial of the United States Constitution formally recognized it as our state's "bicentennial commission."

The Montana Committee is chaired by former state Supreme Court Chief Justice Frank Haswell. The U.S. Commission is chaired by retiring U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice Warren Burger.

Montana's Committee was constituted earlier this year on a volunteer basis and already has 25 members from around the state and lots of activities on its "docket." The role and scope statement adopted in April covers such anniversaries as the 50th Montana Legislative Assembly convening in 1987, the bicentennial of the signing of the U.S. Constitution in 1787 and its ratification in 1788, the formation of the three branches of the federal government in 1789, the mandated public vote in 1990 on whether or not to call another state constitutional convention, and the bicentennial of the U.S. Bill of Rights in 1992.

With financial assistance from the U.S. Committee on the Constitutional System, the Montana Committee is sponsoring a conference at the State Capitol in Helena on October 10-11 titled "Montanans Debate U.S. Constitutional Reform: The Question of Separation of Powers." Nearly 100 people--educators, public officials, lawyers, former Con Con delegates and others--have been invited to be voting delegates at the conference, and the public is invited to observe the proceedings. Four propositions relating to the first three articles of the U.S. Constitution will be debated, and then delegates will express their opinion on whether or not provisions should be revised.

The Committee also plans to start a Constitutional Connections newsletter to go to nearly 3,000 schools, libraries, civic organizations, service clubs, legal organizations, youth groups and others in Montana to keep people up to date on available resources and scheduled events regarding the national and state anniversaries. Any ideas for underwriting of such a newsletter will be welcome, as are requests to be placed on the mailing list.

The U.S. Commission has no funding for state activities, but the Montana Committee will do its best to seek grants for special programs tailored to our state. The years preceding and following our Centennial Year promise many opportunities for civic education about the rights and responsibilities of citizenship in a democracy.

Inquiries about the Constitutional Connections Committee should be addressed care of the Centennial Office. More information will be forthcoming on special youth education, Jefferson Meetings and other projects currently under consideration by the committee.

**SECOND ANNUAL
89ERS DINNER**

The once-a-year opportunity to mingle socially with other 89ers, Commission members, Centennial Office staff and several state agency representatives is scheduled for Thursday night, September 11, in Missoula. The Second Annual 89ers Reception and Dinner will be from 5-7 p.m. in the Gold Oak Room in the University Center on the UM campus. It's an informal affair, and participants may be called upon to share plans for their communities in anticipation of the Centennial Year. Reservations must be made by September 4 on the registration form below, so check your calendars and see if you can join us.

**CENTENNIAL
WORKSHOPS**

The Historical Society has kindly added a new feature to their annual conference this year by arranging a pre-conference day at the Sheraton devoted to community planning for the Centennial. Workshops will highlight using oral history, community surveys and photographs, as well as planning publications. Centennial Office and Historical Society staff will conduct the workshops, and there will be ample time for discussion among all participants about any ideas or information they wish to convey. Registration for the Centennial workshops must be made by September 4 on the form below. Space is limited, so enroll early!

**13TH HISTORY
CONFERENCE**

September 12-13 marks the regular history conference, this year in Missoula and headquartered at the Sheraton. Speakers, media presentations and field trips are lined up for a number of topics: "The West Since WWII" with emphasis on forest management, small towns, Native Americans, journalism and trading in the post-war era and "Montana in the Year 2000" and "The Future of the West." It promises to be a busy two days, so express your interest on the registration form below if you care to take part.

-----MAIL TO HISTORICAL SOCIETY, 225 N. ROBERTS, HELENA 59620-----

REGISTRATION FORM
13th Annual Montana History Conference
September 11, 12, 13, 1986

Name _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Institution or Affiliation _____

Pre-Conference — Centennial workshops, Thurs., Sept. 11	\$15.00	_____
'89ers Dinner, Thurs., Sept. 11	12.00	_____
History Conference — September 12 and 13		
Registration Fee (Friday and Saturday events)	20.00	_____
Partial Fee (attend meals)	10.00	_____
Luncheon, Friday, Sept. 12 (Turkey Breast)	7.00	_____
Barbeque, Friday, Sept. 12 (Steak)	12.00	_____
Breakfast, Saturday, Sept. 13	6.50	_____
Luncheon, Saturday, Sept. 13 (Baked Ham)	7.00	_____
Bitterroot Field Trip, Sept. 13 (transportation and meal)	17.00	_____
Lolo-Nez Perce Trail Field Trip, Saturday, Sept. 13	6.00	_____
Aerial Fire Depot Field Trip, Saturday, Sept. 13	3.00	_____
Industrial Sites Field Trip, Saturday, Sept. 13	3.00	_____
Downtown Missoula Walking Tour, Saturday, Sept. 13	no fee	_____

Prices for meals include gratuities. PLEASE INCLUDE PAYMENT WITH YOUR REGISTRATION FORM. Make checks payable to MONTANA HISTORY CONFERENCE. Registrations must be received by September 4.

Give an inch that keeps on giving!



Invest in the "Last of What is Best in America." Symbolic deeds to square-inch parcels of Montana's first Centennial Acre — in historic, scenic Missouri Headwaters State Park — are now available!

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Stake a claim for you and yours.

Order from: The Centennial Store
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NEWS AND VIEWS IN PREPARATION FOR MONTANA'S STATEHOOD CENTENNIAL.
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TO: "THE EIGHTY-NINERS," P.O. BOX 1989, CAPITOL STATION, HELENA, MT 59620

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STAFF CHANGES

Effective January 5, Cheryl Hutchinson is resigning as full-time Centennial Coordinator and will switch to a part-time position directing the Commission's sanctioning program and, through June, continuing to coordinate the regional Centennial States Caucus. Ron Duda of Helena is joining the Centennial Office, also on a part-time basis, to serve as Acting Centennial Coordinator. Ron, long active in theater groups, has worked for the Legislative Council and the Department of Revenue recently. Responsibility for the Constitutional Connections Committee and the Expedition/Centennial Coordinating Committee has been reassigned to Richard Roeder on the Lieutenant Governor's staff. Mike Shields has been promoted as the Lt. Governor's Executive Assistant to handle budget and personnel matters, including those for the Centennial. Barbara Harris remains as Administrative Assistant in the Centennial Office. The administration is not requesting any appropriation from the legislature for the Centennial Office and Commission, although the Governor's proposed budget does allow for increased spending and staffing authority depending on resources available through various fundraising projects.

GIVING THANKS

'Tis the season to count our blessings. Four years ago, the 1983 legislature resolved that planning for Montana's 1989 Centennial should proceed, using "available resources and resourcefulness." Two years ago, the 1985 legislature authorized the Centennial Office and Commission to handle official administration of a wide range of activities. As we approach the 1987 legislature, it is an appropriate time to reflect on the many people who have pitched in to make things happen, to thank them again for their cooperation and contributions, to take stock of the "resources and resourcefulness" that already have been dedicated to the statehood celebration.

For general office operations, we credit the FirstBank System for an early and substantial donation (\$18,000) that has been used mainly to support communications. AT&T employees followed with a pledge of \$5,000, with the first installment in 1985. Steve Bixby at Carroll College provided artwork for the first few issues of this newsletter, and ArtzWorks of Helena formatted both editions of the **Sampler** at a discount. Ed Noonan of Helena has routinely volunteered his time to help sort all the suggestions coming in from citizens. Caroline Roberts and Mae Cottrell of Helena also come in occasionally to help with special mailings. And, John Shontz of Sidney/Helena/Tacoma (one of our many traveling 89ers) loaned us furniture to sit on, work on and file in, with Sirco Manufacturing of Missoula and Capitol Office Equipment of Helena donating bookshelves for displays and storage.

Key to getting the Centennial Acre program implemented was printing at a discount by Artcraft of Bozeman, as well as donated or discounted paper from Ward Thompson, Dixon, Carpenter and Warden paper companies. Order forms were distributed gratis by many banks, organizations and MT INFO, while ads appeared free in many of the state's magazines and newspapers. The Montana Association of Registered Land Surveyors has volunteered to survey and monument all five sites in the series.

The commemorative license plate program is rather new, but already Norwest Banks agreed to pick up the tab for printing of the gift certificates, and Peterson Motors of Missoula loaned use of a bumper for the "photo opportunity" at the unveiling of the design. To help out with the granite project, the Montana Wood Products Association contributed pine as bases for some of the products, and Tom Malee of Helena did photographs to send to the state's newspapers. Mary Hawkins of Billings donated 1,050 territorial and state treasure warrants for us to sell, and signmaker Marty Lord of Helena built a special case for their display.

On other projects, we're grateful to the Mountain Bell Foundation for its sponsorship of the Century Citizen Project along with all the employees and Pioneers who are making presentations to the honorees around the state daily. The Constitutional Connections Committee benefitted from a donation by the Montana Federation of Teachers, loaned equipment from IBM to compile a mailing list for its newsletter, and a grant from the national Committee on the Constitutional System to sponsor a conference.

The media in Montana have been great in giving coverage to our activities, running stories (and even ads, sometimes) or devoting air time to our public service announcements. We're especially indebted to KRTV and KFBB television stations and KMON and KAAK(K99) radio stations in Great Falls and the Telecommunications Center at the University of Montana in Missoula for producing or making copies of broadcast "spots" publicizing the Eighty-Niners network, the Centennial Acre program, the Century Citizen project and our 1986 holiday appeal from the Centennial Store.

More than 100 Montanans took the time to submit artwork for the logo contest, and all members of the Constitutional Connections and Expedition/Centennial Coordinating Committee donate their time, travel and talent to serve. So do members of the Centennial Commission itself, and special gratitude goes to Pat DeVries of Polson, Nancy Dumont of Wolf Point, Marilyn Frazier of Great Falls, Frank Haswell of Helena, James Haughey of Billings, David Johns of Butte, Robert Kelly of Missoula and Wilbur Werner of Cut Bank for their thoughtful attention during meetings and in the interim, guiding the office staff and participating in the various projects to keep Centennial planning in tune with the hopes and dreams of Montanans--past, present and future.

Basic to Centennial planning from beginning to end are many dedicated public employees who, despite budget cutbacks and their own pressing priorities, have coordinated their work with the Centennial Office and lent good counsel or technical skills on a wide variety of issues and tasks. For their spirit of partnership, appreciation is expressed to the Montana Arts Council, the State Parks Division, the Montana Historical Society, the Office of Public Instruction, the University System, the Division of Motor Vehicles, the Legislative Council, Governor's Council on Aging, Commerce's Promotion and Business Assistance Divisions, the State Library and the Montana Committee for the Humanities.

Last, but not least, we value each and every order that comes into the Centennial Store. People not only send in their dollars, but many include encouraging notes and share in the excitement that the Centennial Year promises. And to you, our Eighty-Niners, we are thankful for all the ideas and suggestions you've taken the time to submit. Planning a birthday party takes teamwork, and we're convinced we've got the greatest players possible!



CITIZEN NETWORK EXPANDS

The map above shows the location of "Eighty-Niner" members in Montana as of October 15, 1985. Enrollment now totals 1,250, with 1,149 in state and 101 from 26 other states or foreign countries. Although we

don't have an artist's update of the map yet, we are indeed pleased to report that volunteers from the following communities have been added to our mailing list: Alberton, Antelope, Ballantine, Belgrade, Big Sky, Bridger, Choteau, Clancy, Clinton, Corvallis, Culbertson, Darby, Fort Shaw, Frazer, Hardin, Harlem, Highwood, Kila, Lakeside, Lewistown, McLeod, Milltown, Moore, Noxon, Ovando, Plains, Ronan, Roundup, St. Regis, Sheridan, Sweetgrass, Terry, Thompson Falls, Three Forks, Virginia City, Whitefish, Wibaux and Wolf Point.

ARTS EVENTS INVENTORY

With assistance from the Montana Arts Council, the Centennial Office has undertaken a short-term project to try to identify arts events that might influence scheduling for 1989. By spring of next year, it is hoped that a preliminary inventory of possible events can be compiled, based on information in "The Eighty-Niners" files and travel/telephone contacts by the contractor on the project, Penelope Loucas. Tourism promoters have stressed the need to begin cultural scheduling far in advance of the Centennial Year, so if you are contemplating any new arts events that could be included in the inventory, please write to the Centennial Office. Activities included in the inventory are not necessarily those that will receive the Centennial Commission's official sanction as part of the official commemoration.

LOCAL GROUPS
START TO FORM

This summer and fall, some of our 89ers have taken the initiative to call meetings on the Centennial in their areas. Eventually, they hope to start local Eighty-Niners chapters to be recognized by the Commission.

Examples of some of the local leaders are Brian Bergheger with the Western Heritage Center in Billings, Kenn Senn with the Bitterroot Valley Chamber of Commerce in Hamilton, and John Johnson who coordinated with the Glendive Chamber of Commerce. Each requested mailing lists of fellow 89ers in their city or county, called a meeting and handled the publicity, and are following up with selection of a steering committee to pursue local planning.

Another inventive 89er, Mona Vanek of Noxon, organized a Western Sanders County "potluck picnic in the park" to get her neighbors thinking about the Centennial. She gathered nearly \$300 in prizes from local retailers for a raffle. Raffle tickets weren't sold, however; instead, she had people enter the raffle by filling out an "I wish. . ." form to express their dreams about what should happen in the state or their community by 1989. There were more than 100 entries--from young and old, about big and small--many dealing with historical preservation and recognition, recreation, better communications, and improved roads and tourism.

*****PAID ADVERTISING*****

12A: Share Montana by giving a gift of MONTANA BITTERROOT in a glass box or WILDFLOWERS beautifully framed (3 dimensional, exactly as they grew) or boxes of notepaper with 6 different pressed wildflowers. Martha Johnston of THE WILDFLOWER PLACE, 7521 York Road, Helena, MT 59601 will send a brochure and price list. Telephone: (406) 475-3768.

12B: "HISTORIC HOMES OF MONTANA, Vol. I" is now available. Filled with 340 photographs and histories of homes in Great Falls, Lewistown, Havre, Fort Benton and Chinook. Send \$19.95 to VisYuill Enterprises, P.O. Box 3353, Great Falls, MT 59403.

12C: A Centennial-sized production of Lewis and Clark with marionettes is available for communities or schools to use starting September, 1987. Between \$500-600 per show, negotiable. Write Blanche Harding, Shoreline Route, Polson, MT 59860.

12D: Potential script for centennial stage production, THE MONTANA TIMES, portrays your local history. Based on careful historical research. Adaptable to your production capabilities. Production and publicity helps provided. Educational, economical and entertaining. Write playwright Norman A. Bert, 1831 Avenue D, Billings, MT 59102.

***** PAID ADVERTISING CONDITIONS: \$10 per issue for business card *****
***** reprints or "classified ads" not exceeding five lines. No guar*****
***** antee on publishing date. No Centennial Office endorsements. *****

**CENTURY CITIZENS
THROUGHOUT STATE**

More than 160 Montanans who are 97 years or older this year have been nominated to the Centennial Office and honored as Century Citizens. The special recognition project is sponsored by Mountain Bell Foundation. Each recipient is presented a letter from the Governor and a deed to a parcel of a Centennial Acre.

Many of the presentations have involved several generations of family, united to mark the contributions of their eldest relations. Names of the Century Citizens are included in an Honor Roll to be kept as a permanent state record, and it is hoped that articles and essays resulting from student interviews with the honorees will be available for a television special or as a publication during the Centennial Year.

**NEW LICENSE PLATES
GO ON SALE IN 1987**

Among other items under the Christmas tree this year at 2 Carson in Helena--the Governor's official residence--will be a gift certificate for Montana's new commemorative centennial license plate. A member of the Schwinden family recently purchased the gift certificate for \$25 from the Centennial Store.

The gift certificates, redeemable until April 15 of next year at County Treasurers' offices, are valued at \$19.89--the one-time fee that will be charged any motorists requesting the special plate. The gift certificates, available now, are transferable. Only the name of the purchaser and payment of \$25 is required for ordering from the Centennial Store.

The actual plates will not go on sale until early in 1987 and will be available only through County Treasurers' offices, where numbers or other imprints are assigned as part of the routine registration process. The exact date the plates will be ready is uncertain; late delivery of materials to the State Prison--where they are produced--may mean counties may not receive them until February.

Information sheets depicting the 4-color plate have been distributed to County Treasurers, driver examination centers and Norwest Banks. Norwest contributed printing costs for the certificates. A copy of the information sheet appears on the following page, and below is an order form for the gift certificate.

MAIL TO ISSUING AGENCY: The Centennial Office, P.O. Box 1989, Capitol Station, Helena, Montana 59620.

ORDER FORM
Centennial License Plate Gift Certificate

Send _____ gift certificate(s) at \$25.00 each to:
(number)

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

_____ TELEPHONE: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

I understand such certificate(s) are transferable — but non-replacable and non-refundable — and are void after April 15, 1987. The holder is not entitled to any specific number or letter sequence on plate (assigned only by County Treasurer).

Enclosed is ☐ check ☐ mail order ☐ cash for \$ _____.

COMMEMORATIVE CENTENNIAL LICENSE PLATES

- AVAILABLE FROM COUNTY TREASURERS AFTER JANUARY, 1987
- VALID FOR USE ON VEHICLES¹ FOR A PERIOD OF NOT LESS THAN FOUR YEARS
- OPTIONAL, ON-REQUEST-ONLY ISSUANCE FOR ONE-TIME SPECIAL FEE OF \$19.89²

OVER-THE-COUNTER

1. An arbitrary **new number** with alphabetical character(s) can be issued to you on the centennial design plate immediately.
 - If your renewal date has expired, present your registration receipt only.
 - If your renewal date expires later in the year, present your registration receipt and current plates.

COST: \$19.89 plus other motor vehicle fees applicable.

LATER DELIVERY

2. You may order your **current number** or your **current personalized imprint** in the centennial design by application. Present your registration receipt at time of request. Application is forwarded by County Treasurer to State Registrar's Bureau for processing. When new plate arrives, you will be notified by County Treasurer. Current plates **must** be relinquished at time of pickup.
COST: \$21.89 (\$19.89 plus \$2 duplicate plate fee) and other applicable motor vehicle fees, payable at time of request.

3. **New personalized imprint** on centennial design plate may be requested by application. Present registration receipt at time of request. Complete routine application for personalized plates, which County Treasurer will forward to State Registrar's Bureau for processing. When new plate arrives and is available for pickup, you will be notified by County Treasurer.

COST: \$39.89 (\$19.89 plus \$20 personalized plate fee) and other applicable motor vehicle fees, payable at time of request.

4. You may apply for a **special edition plate** — a county-by-county series with numbers and letters in combination with 1989, 1889, 100 and 89 included — on a special centennial plate order form. The County Treasurer will forward your request to the State Registrar's Bureau and notify you when your plate is available for pickup. If your renewal date has not yet expired, you must relinquish your current plates on receipt of the special edition plate.

COST: \$89.00 plus other applicable motor vehicle fees, payable at time of application.

GIFT CERTIFICATE

5. **Gift certificates** valued at \$19.89 are available from the Centennial Office and are redeemable by County Treasurers until April 15, 1987 solely toward purchase of a centennial license plate. Actual numbering or lettering sequences for plates may **not** be specified when ordering gift certificates. Certificate covers one-time special fee only.

COST: \$25.00 includes postage and handling costs.

¹Owners of passenger cars or trucks and holders of large trailer plates only.

²Proceeds after production costs will support Montana's 1989 Statehood Centennial.



EXPIRATION STICKER
in upper right corner

GOLD OUTLINE ON
WHITE(SILVER)

ARTWORK IN
COPPER-ISH
TONES

REGISTRATION
NUMBERS IN
BLACK

**The Centennial Store
PRICE LIST
November 14, 1986**

CENTENNIAL ACRE DEEDS \$10.00 each

See reverse for reprint explaining the general ordering procedures and the first acre in the series. The second acre, announced in 1986, is on the Scobey Road between Poplar and Wolf Point. When ordering, specify your preference for "HEADWATERS ACRE" or the new "HOMESTEAD ACRE." Also, mention whether or not you want a gift line with your name inserted on the deed below the recipient's name.

CENTENNIAL LICENSE PLATE GIFT CERTIFICATES.....\$25.00 each

At the option of motorists, special commemorative plates--valid for use on vehicles--can be requested from County Treasurers after January 1987. A one-time charge of \$19.89 will be assessed on each request, in addition to any other applicable registration fees. Gift certificates for the value of \$19.89 are available now from the Centennial Office and are redeemable through County Treasurers' offices until April 15, 1987. The gift certificates are transferable and do not entitle the holder to any specific number or letter sequence (assigned through County Treasurers' offices only).

TERRITORIAL TREASURY WARRANTS..... \$15.00 each

A limited quantity of original warrants from 1887--now matted, with border sketches by J.K. Ralston--have been donated for resale by the Centennial Office. Of historical value, each warrant bears the name of a bounty hunter and the amount paid for animals killed, along with hand-written endorsements on the backside.

CAPITOL GRANITE.....minimum order \$5.00 per shipping address

Listed below are products made from granite that has "weathered the political seasons of the statehouse" for seventy-five years (1910-1985):

CHIPS in cloth bag.....	\$ 2.50
CHIP in plastic box.....	\$ 3.50
CHUNK unmounted (paperweight).....	\$ 5.00
CHUNK mounted on pine.....	\$ 7.50
CHUNK mounted on pine with pen.....	\$11.25

Each product comes with an explanation of the conditions surrounding the installation and removal of the material on the east wing exterior.

Proceeds from above items support Montana's 1989 Statehood Centennial.

Send check or money order to:

**The Centennial Store
P.O. Box 1989
Capitol Station
Helena, Montana 59620**

Include legible, complete information--specifying purchaser and recipients' names and addresses, if gifts--and clear mailing instructions for each item.

Come on, Give an		
Inch!	OR TWO OR THREE OR FOUR OR MORE!	
MONTANA Centennial Acre 		
<i>A great way to support the 1989 Statehood Centennial — and a great gift for family and friends</i>		

For only \$10 each, you can order handsome, personalized 8 by 10-inch deeds "officially" entitling the recipient to the **general enjoyment of the riches of the Treasure State** and signifying **an investment in the last of what is best in America.**

Each deed, authorized by the State Legislature, symbolizes interest in a one-square-inch parcel of one of Montana's specially designated Centennial Acres. The first in a series through 1989 is a site at the Missouri Headwaters State Park with extraordinary recreational features, cultural significance and excellent visitor conveniences.

Proceeds from the Centennial Acre program will support Statehood Centennial activities.

Stake a claim for you and yours now!



ORDERING INSTRUCTIONS

- Write to: **The Centennial Store**
P.O. Box 1989
Capitol Station
Helena, MT 59620
- Include the following information:
 - name and address of recipient(s) for each deed;
 - your name and address, if different from above;
 - an indication where finished deed(s) should be mailed.
- Make checks payable to the **Montana Statehood Centennial Office**. The price of each deed is \$10; additional contributions or an added amount of \$2 to cover postage and handling are welcome and tax deductible.

**FIRST FAMILY
DONATES ACRE**

The second in the series of Centennial Acres has recently been donated by Jean Schwinden and her brother Julius Christianson. Located where their immigrant parents, Nels and Amanda Christianson, settled in 1913, the site is designated as the "Homestead Acre." An undisturbed parcel amidst the vastness of the great open plains of eastern Montana, it honors our pioneers and the traditions of family farming.

The "Homestead Acre" is adjacent to Highway 13 in Roosevelt County, on the Scobey Road between Wolf Point and Poplar. It depicts the wheatlands, the historic aspects of homesteading and also of Native American habitation with Indian rings in close proximity, and the wildlife found in the area along the drainage of Tule Creek.

As donated property to the state, the land comes under the management of the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks. Representatives of the Montana Association of Registered Land Surveyors volunteered to handle surveying and monumenting, as they did with the first acre at the Headwaters State Park.

Of the newly designated acre, Governor Ted Schwinden said, "The scene is familiar to me and to my family, and to hundreds of other Montanans whose ancestors immigrated in the early 1900s." He added: "Montana has changed in many ways since achieving statehood in 1889, but we still can enjoy similar landscapes and the promise of new horizons as the state approaches its second century."

**REPORTS ON
COMMITTEES**

The Expedition/Centennial Coordinating Committee has identified the compilation of a calendar of Lewis and Clark trail activities for 1989 as a priority. In September, the Centennial Commission ratified Lieutenant Governor George Turman's appointment of Bob Saindon to chair the all-volunteer effort.

The Montana Constitutional Connections Committee conducted its second meeting in October in conjunction with a conference titled "Montanans Debate U.S. Constitutional Reform: The Question of Separation of Powers." Chairman Frank Haswell and the Centennial Coordinator also attended a meeting of other states' representatives with the National Commission on the Bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution, chaired by former Chief Justice Warren Burger. Montana's committee has started a newsletter and is encouraging several youth education activities. In addition, it is challenging organizations to sponsor Jefferson Meetings or other programs to build citizen understanding of the principles that have guided this nation. The next meeting of the Montana Constitutional Connections Committee is scheduled for May 8, and on the agenda will be planning for community celebrations of the 200th anniversary of the signing of the U.S. Constitution on September 17, 1987.

Information on either of the above committees is available from the chairmen or Richard Roeder, Administrative Assistant in the Lieutenant Governor's Office. Both committees are affiliates of the Centennial Office and Commission.

SANTA VISITS
OFFICE EARLY

When the Centennial Office was opened in August 1985, essential furniture was donated. Since that time, we've had a critical need for automated office equipment, and it finally arrived! Apple Corporation and the 10 distributors of its products in Montana recently loaned a Macintosh Plus with LaserWriter Printer and an array of software (including the impressive Desktop Publishing Series) for Centennial administration. For those of you who are up on computers, you'll know that our operations should not only get faster, but fancier. For instance, this is probably the last issue of **The Eighty-Niner** to be issued in this format. Give us time to get trained, and we should have a more polished look when we see you next. More details on the contributors and conditions to come.

SANCTIONING
BEGINS SOON

The last issue of **The Eighty-Niner** reprinted the proposed rules for the Commission's sanctioning program--the method for registering products or projects and granting use of the logo as part of official commemoration. Subsequently, four public hearing around the state were conducted. The final rules are now scheduled to be published through the Secretary of State's Office in the Administrative Register of Montana (ARM) on December 27, at which time they are formally "adopted." Based on the public testimony, there were few changes made between the proposed and final versions. The next issue of this newsletter will reprint the final rules for your reference.

Application forms should be available in February and will be distributed to all Eighty-Niners. It is unlikely Commission action on pending applications can occur before late March or April.

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Official Sanctioning Program Is Initiated

With public hearings and publication of final rules behind us, sanctioning actions can commence! Designed by the Montana Statehood Centennial Commission and staff last year, the sanctioning program governs registration of any activities to be associated with the official commemoration of Montana's 100 years of statehood.

As promised, a reprint from the *Administrative Rules of Montana* is included in this issue for your reference. More importantly and for your use, enclosed is a copy of the application form.

While not every "Eighty-Niner" is expected to use the application, a copy is being forwarded with this mailing to help get them distributed around the state and to familiarize everyone with the process. If you won't be using the application yourself, please pass it along to someone who might. And, if you need more copies, we have a supply on hand.

It was decided to use a consolidated packet to bring all options for participation together and to avoid collecting basic applicant information repeatedly. The form attempts to provide both flexibility and adequate information for decision-making.

We're hoping that the Centennial Commission can consider the first batch of applications at its next meeting. From telephone calls to the Office recently, we're aware that some of you (firearms manufacturers, for instance) are ready and eager to apply; if so, *materials should be postmarked by March 27* to allow time for review. For those of you not in such a rush, don't worry, because there will be several other occasions before the Centennial Year when sanctioning actions will be on the Commission's agenda.

Through the sanctioning program, we hope to see many activities registered so that we can promote and enjoy a first-class celebration as our great state moves into its second century.

...with an important reminder:

Now that the sanctioning program is underway, please be aware that all uses of the official centennial logo must be licensed and that, to be formally considered, all proposals must be submitted on the application form (even those suggested previously by telephone or correspondence). Thank you for your cooperation.

1987 Priorities

Acting Centennial Coordinator Ron Duda, with the office since January, has listed priorities and objectives for 1987:

- 1) Sanctioning/licensing - we expect to begin consideration of products and projects in April. Consideration will be ongoing through 1989.
- 2) Scheduling - we will begin to develop a master calendar of Centennial events and projects.
- 3) Local Groups - we will emphasize the importance of organizing local affiliations statewide.

We expect 1989 to be an eventful, exciting year--there are only 650 planning days left.

Lively Holiday Store Sales

The Centennial Office staff was kept busy helping Santa with items from the Centennial Store over the holidays. Orders for deeds, to both Acre I and the newly added Acre II (The Homestead Acre), the Capitol granite items, the territorial warrants and the license plate gift certificates came in not only from Montana but from out of state as well. The Store remains "open" for all the listed gift items, although the license plate gift certificates must be purchased and redeemed by April 15th. *If you would like a price list for yourself or to distribute to others, please let us know. We'll be happy to send you as many as you can use.*

License Plates Now Available

Centennial license plates are now available at all County Treasurer's offices in the state. Sales during the first two weeks have been promising; in fact, some of the smaller counties have outsold urban Montana counties per capita.

In January the color of the numbers and letters changed from black to blue; and we had a few anxious days with materials delays from the manufacturer.

We're happy to have the plates now on sale and expect that business will continue to grow as more and more Montanans "wear" their Centennial plates.

Remember :

- 1) You don't have to wait. You can buy your plates now and pay the registration fees on your normal schedule.
- 2) The regular \$19.89 and special edition \$89.00 price tag is tax deductible.
- 3) This is a unique way to help participate in preparations for the Centennial. The license plate program is a major source of fundraising for Centennial planning and activities.

Over 200 Century Citizens

Two major ceremonies were held recently to honor some of Montana's Century Citizens, those seniors who will be 100 years or older by 1989. Many friends and relatives gathered at a reception at the Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell recently to honor eighteen area senior citizens. At the Bozeman Senior Center a similar ceremony was held to recognize the contributions of fourteen of Gallatin County's elder citizens. The presentations were conducted as part of the Century Citizen Project sponsored by Mountain Bell of Montana in cooperation with the Centennial Office. Honorees received a letter from the Governor and a deed to a Centennial Acre parcel.

The roll of Century Citizens totals 205, and continues to grow. Any Montanan who meets the age requirement of 100 years or older by our Centennial year and who has lived most of his/her life in Montana is qualified. Nominations should be sent to the Montana Centennial Office. Please include the name, address, birth date and a short biographical sketch of the nominee and the name, address and telephone number of the nominator.

Official Colors Chosen for Logo

Four colors have been selected for use in reproductions of the official Centennial logo, adopted by the Montana Statehood Centennial Commission following a statewide contest for designs last year. Gold and silver, mentioned on the Great Seal, will be featured along with copper and blue. The four colors are consistent with those appearing on the new commemorative license plate, according to Lt. Gov. George Turman, who chairs the Commission.

"Gold and silver are traditionally associated with significant anniversaries," he said. The addition of copper more completely acknowledges the important role that mining has played in the state's history, and the gold and copper blend is identified with the vibrant reflections on our rolling plains and fields in the east. The silver, in contrast, is reminiscent of many winter scenes, especially in the mountains. Blue is the dominant color of our state flag and, in the logo, it represents our rich water resources and the big sky. "Montana is a very colorful state," he concluded, "and although not every color associated with our society and scenery could be included, the four chosen are a proper representation to distinguish the 100th anniversary of admission to the union."

A Graphic Standards Manual will be issued to licensees authorized to use the logo. Staff member Cheryl Hutchinson said that the manual will specify the correct combination of colors and other technical instructions to assure proper reproductions. The logo may be used on a permission-only basis with fees to be paid as part of the licensing process.

"RFP" Out on Logo Products

A Request for Proposals (RFP) is being released by the Centennial Office to secure large quantities of renditions of the official logo as lapel pins and buttons, bumper stickers, name tags, rolls of gummed labels, and decals. Such renditions must appear in metal, vinyl or equivalent inks in accordance with the four official colors adopted for the logo. Bidders must submit estimates for production costs, and may propose attendant vending arrangements. Copies of the complete RFP are available from the Centennial Office to anyone who is interested in responding or who may wish to forward the information to firms in the novelty business. A March 27 reply deadline will be involved in this initial estimate-gathering phase.

Legislative Update

In a flurry of activity the fiftieth Legislature reached the session's mid-point on February 25. Two bills regarding the Statehood Centennial are still awaiting final passage and approval.

H.B. 849, introduced by Rep. Joe Quilici, D-Butte, extends and amends loan authority for Centennial activities. The Statehood Centennial Office receives no direct state funding but is authorized to borrow money which must be repaid. H.B. 849 would allow the Statehood Centennial Office to repay loans with funds from all sources (including private donations) instead of from specific accounts.

S.B. 204, introduced by Rep. Gene Thayer, R-Great Falls, would allow county treasurers to assess an additional \$3.00 fee to defray the cost of issuing commemorative Centennial license plates. The bill was introduced at the request of the Montana County Treasurers' Association.

In its original form, the bill would have reduced revenues for Centennial activities by nearly 30 percent. Centennial Commisisoner Marilyn Frazier of Great Falls testified before the Senate Local Government Committee February 3 on behalf of the Centennial Commission regarding S.B. 204. After discussions between the representatives of the Treasurers' Association, Legislators, Centennial Commission and staff, a compromise was reached which authorized the county handling fee to be assessed *in addition* to the \$19.89 license plate price. If approved by the House and the Governor, the county handling fee would take effect after being signed into law.

Update on Constitutional Activities

The entry deadline is April 15, 1987 for the National Bicentennial High School Writing Competition co-sponsored by the American Bar Association, The Commission on the Bicentennial, and *USA Today*. Each state will be awarded three winners. For an entry guide, contact: National Bicentennial Writing Competition, Commission on the Bicentennial of the U.S., P.O. Box 50184, Washington, D.C. 20004-0184.

The Montana Office of Public Instruction is sponsoring an essay contest for elementary students in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Education and plans, with the Montana Supreme Court, a special summer seminar on the U.S. Constitution for secondary school teachers.

Jefferson meetings are planned for Billings, Great Falls, Missoula, Kalispell and Glendive to inspire citizens to learn more about the U.S. Constitution and, by late spring, the Montana Constitutional Connections Committee will announce its plans for special observances on September 17, the 200th anniversary of the signing of the U.S. Constitution.

Regional Meetings to be in Montana

In mid-May, two six-state meetings are scheduled in Great Falls, both at the Heritage Inn. Although the meetings will be conducted with separate agendas, they are expected to draw some of the same participants from Montana, North and South Dakota, Wyoming, Idaho and Washington.

On Wednesday and Thursday, May 20-21, the Commission on the Bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution will convene the seventh in a series of meetings around the country. Commission member Lynne Cheney, also Chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities, is expected to attend along with staff from the commission's national headquarters in Washington, D.C.

On Friday and Saturday, May 22-23, the Third Annual Centennial States Caucus will meet. Although coordinated by Montana, this will be the first time we will be in a position to give a royal welcome to our neighboring states who will be celebrating in 1989 and 1990. Cheryl Hutchinson of the Centennial Office is working with representatives of the other states to plan the two-day program, a great opportunity for interstate cooperation.

Details on both meetings will be available from the Centennial Office and in this newsletter as the dates draw nearer.

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Organizing 89er Chapters

It's time to begin thinking about setting up 89er chapters throughout the state. Early planning should include:

- 1) establishing a steering committee (don't overlook the young people),
- 2) developing a wish list of possible projects,
- 3) deciding where to put your energy,
- 4) applying/registering with the Centennial Office, and
- 5) developing funding.

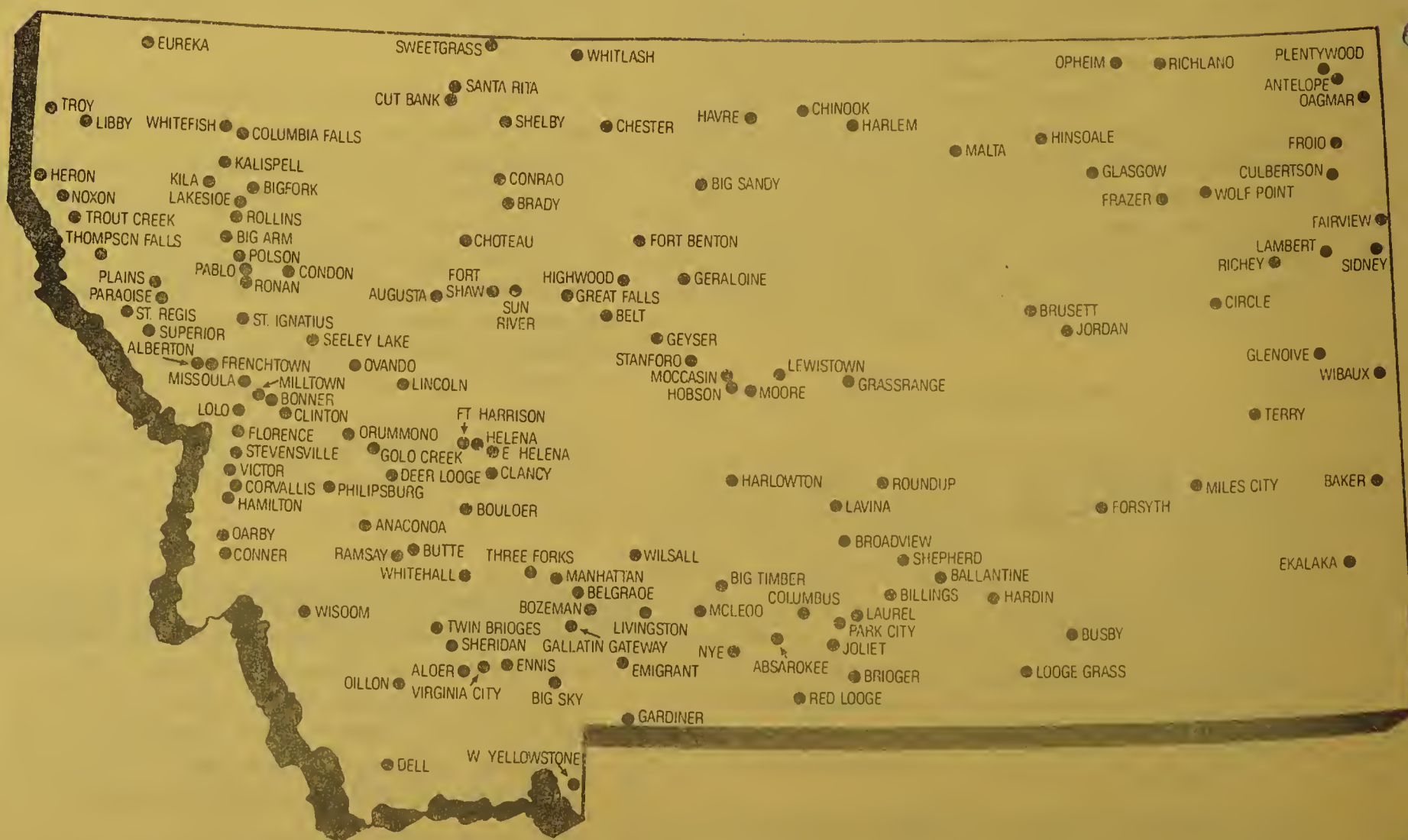
The Centennial Office currently cannot provide grants or funding support. We can help:

- 1) identify 89ers in your area,
- 2) identify similar projects or project ideas in the state,
- 3) publicize your event by including all sanctioned events on our calendars,
- 4) provide information. For example, the Office has a series of videotapes available for loan covering such topics as historical publications, creating exhibits and historic preservation.

Next Commission Meeting

The Montana Statehood Centennial Commission will meet in Helena April 2-3. In addition to sanctioning actions, discussion will center on thematic planning and scheduling with progress reports on current activities.

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As our new map reflects, the 89er network continues to expand across the state. We are delighted to report that 148 Montana communities are now represented. Total enrollment has just passed the 1,300 mark, and new additions are received almost daily. The office staff continues to be encouraged as new ideas and Centennial interest increase.

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Third Annual Centennial States Caucus Set for Great Falls on May 21-23, 1987

In 1985, the Governors of six states celebrating statehood centennials in 1989 (Montana, North and South Dakota, and Washington) and in 1990 (Idaho and Wyoming) signed a joint resolution endorsing a Centennial States Caucus "as the primary means of coordinating multi-state centennial activities." The Caucus has had two annual meetings and regular communication among members of its Coordinating Council (key staff from the respective Centennial Commissions).

The site for the May 21-23, 1987 annual meeting is the Heritage Inn in Great Falls. The program will begin with a Thursday evening reception--jointly sponsored for participants in the regional U. S. Constitution Bicentennial meeting (see separate story)--at the Charles M. Russell Museum. On Friday morning, there will be reports on the status of centennial planning in each of the six states. At lunch, a panel of federal officials will discuss ways their agencies might be involved in the statehood commemorations. Friday afternoon there will be a "projects showcase," a series of small-group sessions highlighting activities planned within the region in such areas as music, hospitality and tourism, lasting legacies, transportation, publications, local celebrations, exhibits, and sports and recreation. The day will conclude with a banquet and speech by David Rogers, formerly with Tennessee Homecoming. Saturday morning's session will begin with a focus on the economic impact of statewide celebrations, and there will be a "trade fair" for exhibitors of potential centennial products. Prior to a concluding luncheon address by Governor Ted Schwinden, topical caucus sessions will occur to allow state agency representatives from the six states to confer on cooperative activities in the arts, history, parks, tourism, libraries, humanities, education and other areas.

The Caucus, and the 1987 annual meeting, is coordinated by the Montana Centennial Office. If you would like registration materials--for participating or exhibiting--please direct your inquiry to Cheryl Hutchinson. The deadline for registration is May 15. This being the first meeting of the six states in Montana, we are hoping to give our neighbors from throughout the northwest a royal welcome to the Treasure State!

Sanctioning Actions

As part of its regular meeting on April 3, the Montana Statehood Centennial Commission considered some 30 applications submitted under its sanctioning program. Of them, 18 were recommended for approval. The rest are pending, in some cases requiring more information or negotiation on such matters as the payment of fees.

All sanctioned projects, products or affiliates--whether or not using state-adopted symbols or slogans--must have signed licenses before any publicity or production work is to begin.

Application review and recommendations will continue from now through 1989. The next Commission meeting will be May 8. Any applications to be scheduled on that agenda *must be postmarked no later than May 1*. Please double-check to make sure the \$5 application fee is included and that Part VI (assurances) is signed, in addition to providing complete information in response to the questions in whatever other parts apply to your proposal.

**Next Centennial Commission Meeting
May 8 in Helena.**

**All sanctioning applications eligible
for the May 8 agenda must be
postmarked no later than May 1.**

Special Edition Coin/Medal

The only interest expressed by the Centennial Commission so far in exclusive sanctioning is for a special edition of a coin or medal. The Commission is asking producers and minters of coins or medals who would like to have their proposal considered as an exclusive Centennial product to submit applications postmarked no later than May 1.

Lapel Pin Distributors Wanted

The Centennial Commission is considering having the Centennial logo lapel pin sold and distributed primarily by a vendor rather than by the Centennial Office. In addition to marketing and distribution, this could include production of the pins. If you have any ideas or want to submit a bid, contact the Centennial Office for an RFP (Request for Proposals).

November 1988 Kickoff Month

Montana's Centennial year will be launched officially with plans for the signing of a Governor's proclamation on Admission Day, November 8, 1988, which is also a general election day.

Begin thinking now about ways you can commemorate Montana's becoming the 41st State of the Union. There are only 18 planning months left!

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Constitutional Bicentennial Update

The Constitutional Connections Committee will meet May 8 in Helena. Among other matters, the committee will formalize plans for celebration of September 17, 1987, the 200th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution. At this point, plans are being developed to hold a special naturalization day for new U.S. citizens in federal district courts.

The National Commission on the Bicentennial has been sponsoring a series of regional meetings to exchange ideas with state and local officials. The last of the seven meetings--for representatives from Montana, North and South Dakota, Wyoming, Idaho and Washington--will be in Great Falls at the Heritage Inn. The meeting will begin on the evening of Wednesday, May 20, with a banquet and keynote speech by Lynne Cheney, Commission member and Chair of the National Endowment for the Humanities. The next day will be devoted to workshops on Bicentennial celebrations, concluding with an evening reception in conjunction with the Centennial States Caucus. For further information contact: Angela Withers, Regional Director of State/Local Affairs, Commission on the Bicentennial of the United States Constitution, 734 Jackson Place N.W., Washington, D.C. 20503 (202) 653-9808.

Collector's License Plates

Centennial license plates for collectors are now available by writing to: Registrar's Bureau, Department of Justice, 925 Main, Deer Lodge, MT 59722. The plates are stamped with AA-000 on the Centennial design and sell for \$19.89 each.

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Next Commission Meeting

The next meeting of the Statehood Centennial Commission is scheduled for July 7 in Helena. The meeting will be held in Room 104 of the State Capitol. Only sanctioning applications postmarked by *June 29, 1987* can be scheduled on that meeting's agenda.

Gummed Labels Available Soon

Color World Printers in Bozeman was selected by the Centennial Commission at its May 8 meeting to be the exclusive distributor of gummed labels of the official logo. Color World submitted the only bid in response to a Request for Proposals and, according to the agreement reached, they will cost \$8.00 per roll of 500 including postage and handling. The labels will be in oval shape, 2" wide and 1" high, in full color with a varnish finish.

Color World expects the labels to be available the first part of July; order forms will be distributed to people involved with projects or products sanctioned by the Centennial Office. Only licensees who have gone through the Sanctioning Program may purchase the logo labels for the time being, although other uses may be allowed at a future date. Color World's toll-free telephone line in Montana is 800-332-3303 if you care to check on the status of labels or to inquire about discounts on volume orders.

Century Citizens Day

In conjunction with a national program to recognize this country's centenarians, Governor Schwinden will proclaim July 1, 1987 as Montana Century Citizens Day. In his proclamation the Governor stated, "our people have much to learn from those Montanans who forged the state's dynamic history and whose presence with us today sustains that spirit." Special ceremonies are planned in several communities to honor Montana's eldest citizens as more names are added to our "Honor Roll," which now totals 235.

Logo Lapel Pins Available Soon

The Centennial Office and Commission are pleased to announce that a contract has been signed with Nissi Enterprises of Conner, Montana, to produce and distribute the Centennial logo lapel pin. The contract was awarded through the Request for Proposals process. The 1-inch cloisonne pin will feature the Centennial logo and will be available after July 10. They can be purchased through the Centennial Office for \$2.50 each and also will be available at retail outlets. Non-profit organizations may be particularly interested in the pins for fundraising purposes. Anyone interested in purchasing or selling the pins should contact the Centennial Office, P.O. Box 1989, Capitol Station, Helena, MT 59620 for price lists and ordering information.

Staffing Changes

Ron Duda, part-time Acting Centennial Coordinator since January, resigned effective May 8 to take a full-time position with the new state lottery. Cheryl Hutchinson, most recently Sanctioning Program Director and coordinator of the regional Centennial States Caucus, is resigning from the Centennial Office no later than June 30; she will pursue free-lance and consulting activities during the summer months. Bob Buzzas began June 17 as executive assistant to the Lieutenant Governor, replacing Mike Shields who resigned mid-March. Barbara Harris continues as Administrative Assistant in the Centennial Office. Dorothy Walther, a recent Business Administration graduate from the University of Montana with internship and other experience in state government, has joined staff with immediate duties in the sanctioning program. It is expected that other staffing announcements will be made by the Lieutenant Governor at the Commission meeting on July 7.

**Next Centennial Commission Meeting
July 7 in Helena.**

**All sanctioning applications eligible
for the July 7 agenda must be
postmarked no later than June 29.**

SANCTIONING ACTIONS

The Montana Statehood Centennial Commission has recommended sanctioning of 38 out of 58 applications for Centennial products, projects or affiliation. The following summaries describe the 17 applications for which signed licenses (and payment of fees, in some cases) are on file as of June 19, 1987.

PRODUCTS

Centennial Office

P.O. Box 1989
Capitol Station
Helena, Montana 59620

Use of logo in newsletter, on fact sheet and for sanctioning application form.

Double Cabin Trading Company

ATTN: H. P. Gibson
P.O. Box 249
Victor, MT 59875

Production and marketing of a 2-inch (diameter) Centennial Commemorative Medallion cast in bronze, pewter and sterling silver each exclusively displaying the State Seal and the Official Centennial Logo (plus serial number).

Country Creations

ATTN: A.C. Lane
P.O. Box 148
Victor, Montana 59875

Production and marketing of a Centennial "Duster" designed from paintings by Charlie Russell; made of 13 oz. water-repellent 100 percent cotton Canvas Duck, with buttons down the front and on both legs and split up the back for riding; quantities undetermined.

GO Wholesale, Inc.

ATTN: Duane Grosulak
21 S. Broadway
P.O. Box 1020
Billings, MT 59103

Production and marketing of two Smith & Wesson handguns, as follows: A serialized, limited edition of six (retailing at approximately \$10,000), accompanied with a bronze depicting Montana's history; a serialized, limited edition of 50 (retailing at approximately \$1,400) featuring an acid-etched side plate, ivory grips, scroll work and 22K gold-plated inscription.

Security Equipment, Inc.

ATTN: Paul Ferda
2123 Vaughn Road
Great Falls, MT 59404

Production and marketing of limited edition (serialized 1 through 589) Smith & Wesson Model 25 .45 Colt handgun with exclusive sales to law enforcement officials.

Treasure State Foundry

ATTN: Steven R. Funke
54 Rising Sun Circle #2
Kalispell, MT 59901

Production and marketing of a series of belt buckles in bronze, pewter and sterling silver (with Montana sapphires mounted in the pewter and silver editions); quantities to vary among theme areas in series, but each one numbered as a collectable; four theme areas (parks, wildlife, heritage and state seal); first issuance is Bighorn Sheep from wildlife series.

Von Ben Hoyt Distributors

ATTN: Dorothy A. Hoyt
412 Kokanee Drive
Columbia Falls, MT 59912

Production and marketing of burlap-packaged "Miner Bags" containing Montana sapphires; three different offerings with varying contents and prices.

PROJECTS

The Nature Conservancy

ATTN: Robert Kiesling
P.O. Box 258
Helena, MT 59624

Recognition of a \$5.2 million fundraising project to establish a system of nature preserves to protect examples of Montanan's rarest plant and animal species, vegetation communities and representative ecosystems.

SANCTIONING ACTIONS, continued

Western Legacy

ATTN: Phil Scriver
1104 Avenue C North West
Great Falls, MT 59404

Scheduling of the date July 4, 1989 for the dedication of a four-figure heroic-size bronze stature titled "The Explorers at the Portage" in Great Falls.

Great Falls Advertising Federation

ATTN: Peggy Hoss
P.O. Box 619
Great Falls, MT 59401

Scheduling of March 16-18, 1989 as the dates of the Twenty-first Annual C.M. Russell Auction of Original Western Art sponsored by the Great Falls Advertising Federation for the benefit of the C.M. Russell Museum.

St. Mary's Mission Board of Directors

ATTN: Lucylle H. Evans
P.O. Box 211
Stevensville, MT 59870

Scheduling of November 12-13, 1989 for a program in Stevensville to help launch the official Centennial Year; program includes Saturday luncheon, followed by tours of historic sites and concludes with a Sunday banquet.

Charlie Russell's Yarns

ATTN: Raphael Cristy
P.O. Box 9177
Helena, MT 59604

Listing of "Charlie Russell's Yarns" as centennial-related entertainment for referrals and independent bookings.

Libby Nordicfest

ATTN: Mary D. Holter
Box 791
Libby, MT 59923

Scheduling of "Libby Nordicfest" as an official event stressing northern European Culture, on September 15-17, 1989.

Mountain Bluebird Trails

ATTN: Art Aylesworth
P.O. Box 794
Ronan, MT 59864

Establish a trail of bluebird nest boxes across Montana from the Idaho to North Dakota borders, placing four boxes per mile.

Legislative Spouses

c/o Barbara Marks
302 Lump Gulch Route
Clancy, MT 59634

Recognizing the Montana Legislative Spouses' Club project to sponsor a statewide effort to crochet snowflakes or birds for the Capitol Christmas tree in the rotunda beginning in 1987; to be highlighted in 1989 and thereafter.

Montana Division of American Association of University Women, et al.

ATTN: Nancy Harvey
404 2nd S.W.
Cut Bank, MT 59427

Scheduling of the dates November 13-14, 1987 for a conference titled "Molders and Shapers: Women as Community Builders," designed to demonstrate ways in which all organizations may share their historical findings during the centennial year and to teach the techniques of collecting local history.

Rob Quist (Glacier Country Productions)

ATTN: Chris Racicot
808 12th Avenue
Helena, MT 59601

Listing of Rob Quist as centennial-related entertainment for referrals and independent bookings.

AFFILIATION

Ravalli County Centennial Coordinating Committee

Robert B. Scott, Chairman
102 Geneva
Hamilton, Montana 59840

A local affiliate of the Centennial Office and Commission to coordinate scheduling, assess historical resources and produce material for visitors in Ravalli County.

*Sanctioning applications can be
obtained by contacting The Centennial
Office, P.O. Box 1989, Capitol Station,
Helena, MT 59620 (406) 444-1989*

Six-State Meeting Successful

More than 70 people gathered at the Heritage Inn on May 21-23 in Great Falls for the Third Annual Centennial States Caucus, with official representation from the Centennial Commissions in Montana, North and South Dakota, Wyoming, Idaho and Washington. Several citizens, state agency staff, federal officials and exhibitors also attended.

The program began with a reception at the Charles M. Russell Museum where, in addition to the fine art on display, Raphael Cristy performed his "Charlie Russell's Yarns." The first full day started out with a welcome from Lt. Gov. George Turman who chairs Montana's Centennial Commission and status reports from the six states on their funding and administrative framework for centennial planning. During a luncheon panel, six federal officials spoke about ways the U.S. Postal Service, the National Endowments for the Arts and Humanities, the military, the National Park Service and the National Constitutional Bicentennial Commission might become involved in the statehood celebrations. The afternoon featured a "Projects Showcase" with workshops covering about 35 different projects that already have been sanctioned to occur within the region. The topics for the "Showcase" were music, lasting legacies, donated time/talent/dollars, transportation, publications, festivals and other celebrations, sports and recreation, tourism and hospitality, and exhibits. The evening concluded with an address by David Rogers, formerly with Tennessee Homecoming. The next morning began with informal "table topics" to allow people with kindred interests in such areas as the arts, libraries, humanities and education to exchange ideas. Workshops on marketing and organizing homecomings were then conducted, and the Caucus adjourned following entertainment by Rob Quist and a speech from Montana's Governor Ted Schwinden about the benefits of cooperation among the states (see text of his remarks on page 5).

The Caucus Coordinating Council--consisting of key centennial staffers from each of the six states--met on adjournment to outline priority projects for joint attention. Among them were tourism promotion, a festival on the mall in the nation's capital in cooperation with the National Park Service, a traveling exhibit of important documents from the U.S. Archives dealing with statehood for the six states, a six-state high school marching band to enter in such parades as the 1989 Rose Bowl and the Presidential Inaugural, a

Centennial Train, a television documentary on life from settlement through contemporary times in the "Northern West," an arrangement for sister cities among the six states, and a series of birthday parties in all other states' capitals organized by alumni from the six states.

Cheryl Hutchinson, Caucus Coordinator, predicts that a final report on the Third Annual Meeting will be produced by the end of August. In the interim, each state volunteered to take lead responsibility for pursuing at least one of the possible joint projects so that final decisions can be made in a timely manner for introduction to funding sources and implementation.

The Centennial States Caucus was preceded by a Regional Training Workshop sponsored by the national Commission on the Bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution. Two commission members--Dr. Lynne Cheney who chairs the National Endowment for the Humanities and William Lucas on the faculty of Harvard University--were in attendance, as were several of the national commission staff members and interested people from the same six states who attended the Caucus. The regional training session highlighted workshops on media/public relations, education/school programs and community programs/resources to be devoted to telling the story of the U.S. Constitution throughout the region and nation.

Circle Student Essay Contest Winner

Joanna James, a fourth grader from Circle, has been selected as the only Montanan of 150 national winners in the U.S. Department of Education's essay contest commemorating the Bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution. Each member of a state's congressional delegation was allowed two entries into the finals and Joanna's was one of eight from Montana. Over 1 million students entered the contest and 1,350 were submitted as finalists. Joanna and her parents, Matt and Judy James, attended the award ceremonies in Washington D.C. In her essay, Joanna said the Constitution represents freedom, justice and better government. "When I read the Constitution, I am reminded of my duty to work hard in school and in everything I do in order to become a good citizen and preserve these freedoms for future nations."

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**REMARKS OF GOVERNOR TED SCHWINDEN
TO THE THIRD ANNUAL CENTENNIAL STATES CAUCUS
SATURDAY, MAY 23, 1987 IN GREAT FALLS**

The 1880s were a frustrating time for the northwestern territories. Here in America's great northwest, people were ready for statehood, but political games played back on the east coast denied them the change in status and the associated benefits they were itching to take advantage of--representation in Congress, full power to tax local corporations and the railroad's massive landholdings, and the ability to elect our own executive and judicial officers.

Some things never change! The 1980s have been an equally frustrating decade. National, and now international, policies over which we have little influence have squeezed every major sector of our regional economy--agriculture, timber, mining and energy. But just as 1889 and '90 brought a new vitality to this area, so too can 1989. This time, it won't be privileges or revenue sharing dollars granted by the federal government that make the difference. Our reason for excitement this time 'round is the opportunity we have, both as independent states and as a region, to shape our second centuries.

The extent of our new role in the emerging global economy won't depend on how aggressively we take each other on, but on how effectively the northwestern states can work together to take on the rest of the world. Those of you who attended the first caucus will remember the possibilities of cooperation as the main theme of futurist Michael Annison's address. Annison rejected Darwin's theory of the survival of the fittest and asserted that it is possible--indeed, essential--to cooperate.

In speaking to the Centennial Caucus, he argued that "...the results of the cooperative efforts among groups in this room will be much stronger for having done them together than they possibly could have been independently." That theory is borne out by the solid strategies this group has put together to attract more visitors to our region. Publishing a joint centennial calendar and pooling our resources for better mileage in both domestic and international markets are examples of strategies that make sense. Clearly, such joint efforts will have a far greater impact than six--at best, independent or at worst, competing--promotional plans could ever have.

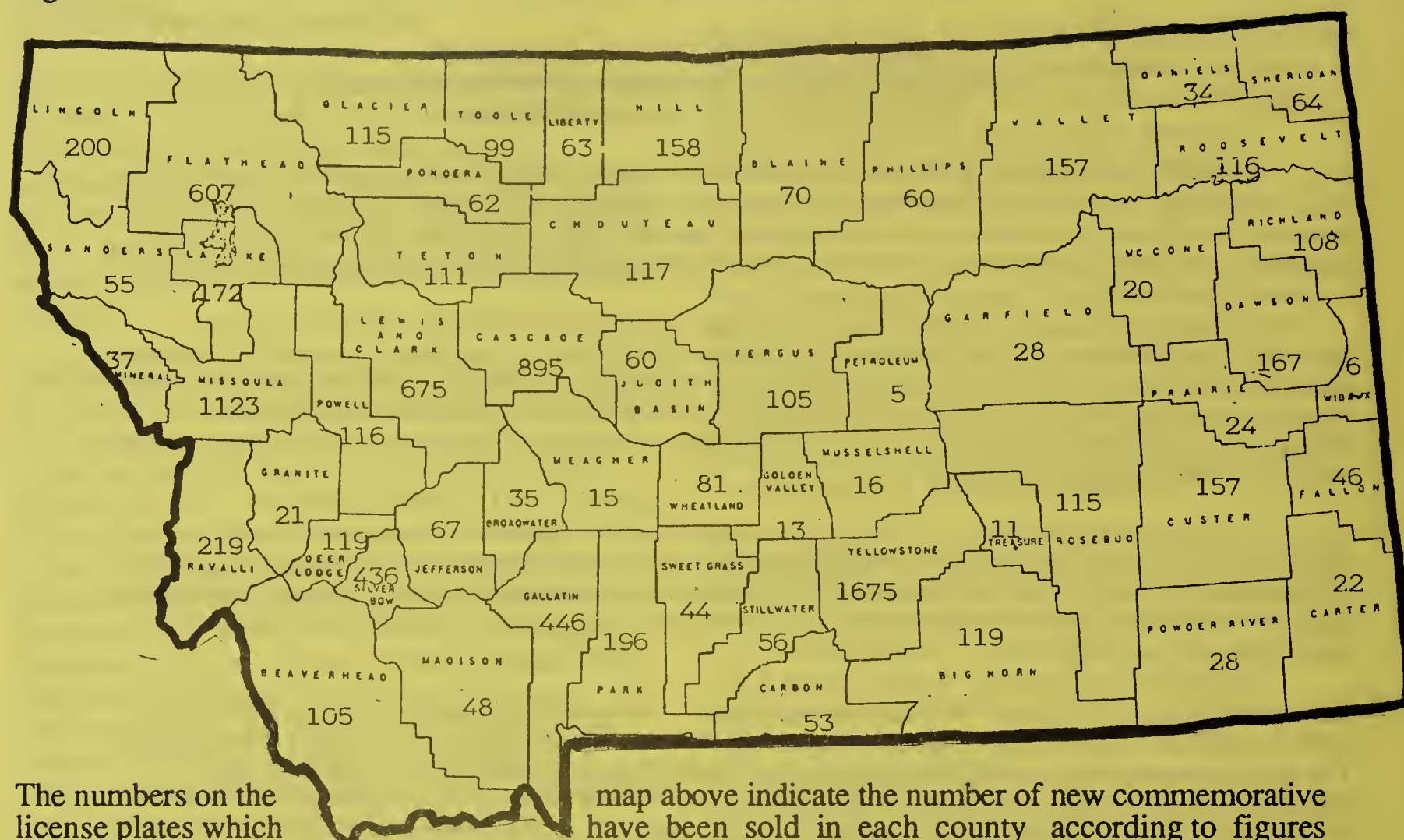
Cooperation isn't new to our region, although in future years it will become increasingly important and, I hope, increasingly common. For a number of years, we have seen the Northwest Power Planning Council and the Western Governor's Association work to benefit the region. Nor have cooperative efforts been limited only to the states. Last year, the World Expo in Vancouver, B.C., brought greater visibility to the region on both sides of the border. And next year, we can look forward to the same effect from the '88 Winter Olympics in Alberta.

Our centennial celebrations offer a unique perspective--a milestone from which to look back on past accomplishments and to look forward to our shared ambitions. We are moving into a future that U.S. Ambassador to Japan Mike Mansfield has termed the "Age of the Pacific." The Mansfield Foundation promises to be an especially valuable resource for our region. Created in 1983 in honor of former Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield and his wife, the Foundation provides programs to encourage cultural and educational exchanges between east and west, enabling all the northwestern states to learn more about our Asian neighbors. The two weeks I spent in Japan within the past month confirmed again what we all know--that despite the considerable progress we have made in improving relations with Asian countries, we have an incredibly long way to go before we even begin to tip the scale toward a more balanced level of understanding.

Our Centennial years should focus on such opportunities. They should encourage our citizens to explore future directions as well as the paths that brought us here. They should draw our attention to our role in the international arena as well as drawing the world's attention to our region and all we have to offer.

Since its first meeting in Spokane two years ago, the Centennial Caucus has served as a valuable vehicle for exchanging ideas. I remain confident that the projects you have planned and the ideas still hatching from the discussions of the last two days will add to the success and the depth of our centennial celebrations. I am hopeful that the support and stimulation generated at these meetings will continue. I would especially like to thank Cheryl Hutchinson--for years the guiding hand behind Montana's Centennial plans--for serving as Caucus Coordinator. Although she will be moving on to new interests next month, when 1989 rolls around, there is no doubt that Montana's Centennial will bear the indelible stamp of her efforts.

As Michael Annison emphasized in his closing remarks "...what goes on in each of the states isn't going to be settled by 'them,' whoever 'they' are." Rather than depending on Washington, D.C., or the governors, or the legislatures or businesses, Annison rightly concluded that what our Centennial years really come down to depends on "what each person in this room really thinks is important, what you care about, and then what you do about it next Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday" and the weeks and months after that. Nineteen eighty-nine and ninety will be a direct reflection of the commitment and enthusiasm you bring to this very important planning process. I wish you well as you continue your efforts in the days and weeks ahead.



The numbers on the license plates which map above indicate the number of new commemorative have been sold in each county according to figures reported to the Centennial Office by the State Treasurer as of June 22. That represents 9,772 sets of plates. Centennial plates can be purchased any time from your County Treasurer, regardless of when your current registration expires, for just \$19.89 extra plus applicable fees. Personalized plates and special numbered plates also are available. Ask your County Treasurer for an information sheet. We hope all 89ers will be sporting the new Centennial license plate.

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1989 NATIONAL CHRISTMAS TREE TO COME FROM MONTANA



The Christmas tree that will adorn the White House/Capitol Mall in December 1989 will be a "former Montanan." The national Christmas tree will come from the Kootenai National Forest.

Tom Daubert, director of the Montana Statehood Centennial Office, called on Montanans to make the national Christmas tree an important part of the statehood centennial celebration in 1989.

"When the President of the United States lights the national Christmas tree in 1989, Americans will know the tree came from Montana during our Centennial year," Daubert said. "They will have been hearing about and participating in our year-long festival of special events and projects. The tree lighting will be the perfect climax to our celebration."

"Montanans have a powerful and unique message to deliver to the American people. The 1989 national Christmas tree gives us a special moment to 'tell America' what it needs and deserves to know about Montana," he said.

Daubert called on leaders in northwestern Montana, home of Kootenai National Forest, to form an affiliate group and seek sanctioning from the Centennial Commission to make the Christmas tree send-off an official event on the Centennial calendar. "The moment the tree begins its journey from northwestern Montana to the White House lawn in Washington, D.C., should be an occasion for celebration," he said, "and we should take advantage of the opportunity to send the American people more than a beautiful tree."

Forest Service officials in Libby said that Montana's centennial year, 1989, was an advantage in their bid to provide the national Christmas tree. They added that for years part of the Kootenai National Forest has been called the "Christmas Tree Capital of the World" because of its magnificent conifers.

TWO JOIN CENTENNIAL STAFF

Two new faces are adding to the life of Montana's Statehood Centennial Office.

In August Lt. Governor George Turman named Tom Daubert to be Centennial director, and in September Ellen Meloy joined the staff as manager of public relations and communications.

Daubert, a graduate of Princeton University and the University of Montana, held public relations and lobbying positions with a number of Montana institutions and citizen groups in the 1970s and early '80s. Just a few months before being tapped for the Centennial job, he had returned to Montana after several years with a New York City public relations agency.

Meloy is a Helena artist-writer whose work has appeared in *Harper's*, *Northern Lights*, *High Country News*, and other publications. She is the illustrator of three children's books. One of her first projects will be to redesign *The Eighty-Niner*, with a debut issue in January.

Daubert and Meloy join staff members who have been tending to Centennial planning and the communications needs of the '89ers network. Dot Walther is the program's assistant director for sanctioning/marketing, and Barbara Harris is the administrative assistant who sees to it that the entire office runs smoothly.

HISTORY CONFERENCE OFFERS CENTENNIAL SEGMENT

The Montana Historical Society's annual conference is rich with Centennial events this year.

An '89ers dinner, five workshops for planners of Centennial events, and related general session and workshop segments will be offered at the conference, "Images of the West: Fact, Fantasy, and Memory," to be held at Helena's Colonial Inn, October 22-24.

'89ers Dinner

Montanans interested in helping to plan the Centennial celebration are invited to attend the

annual dinner meeting and program of the '89ers at the Colonial Inn from 5-7 pm, October 22.

Lt. Governor George Turman, chairman of the Centennial Commission, will be the featured speaker. His topic is "Centennial Fever."

You may register for this event in your general conference registration. Those attending only the '89ers dinner need not pay the entire registration fee. *Please register right away through flyers mailed by the Montana Historical Society or on the form on page 10.*

Centennial Workshops

These workshops offer communities practical guidance in Centennial activities:

October 22

Writing for the Centennial--Guidelines for people who want to prepare brief histories of their community for publication. Presented by Bill Lang, editor of *Montana the Magazine of Western History*.

Oral History Interviews and Projects--Planning and implementing community oral history projects. Presented by Laurie Mercier, Montana Oral History Association.

Oral History: Centennial Projects--Descriptions of several completed oral history projects from around the state. Presented by Laurie Mercier.

Postcards as Collectibles & Historical Documents--A discussion of collecting, researching, and using postcards as historical documents. Presented by Bob Clark of the Montana Historical Society.

Historic Buildings & Local Historical Societies---A discussion of the use of historic buildings. Presented by Marcella Sherfy, State Historic Preservation Office.

October 23

Centennial Session: Politicking in '89--A panel discussion moderated by Bob Swartout. Features "Will Kennedy: Advocate of Democracy," Bill Lang; "Dave Browne: Frontier Entrepreneur," Dave Walter; and "Joseph K. Toole: Montana's First Statesman," Richard Roeder.

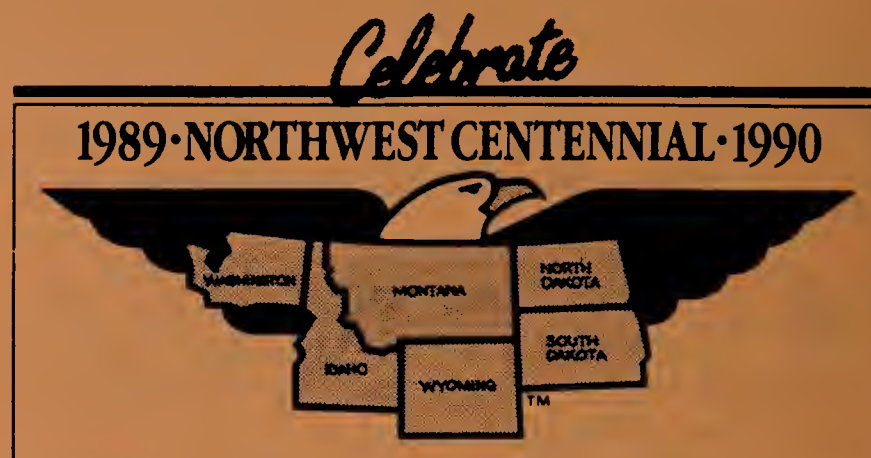
Other conference workshops and sessions will explore how images of the West have shaped our understanding of the region.

REGIONAL NEWS

Regional Centennial Logo Unveiled

As this issue of *The Eighty-Niner* went to press, the six-state Northwest Centennial region unveiled a logo that all states will use to promote tourism regionwide during the 1989-1990 Centennial period.

Next winter the six states will prepare a calendar of the "top 100 attractions" in the region during the Centennial years. The calendar will be used in each state's tourism promotion program with a combined reach of over two million Americans who already are inclined to visit the Northwest.



Cooperative Projects Are in the Works

Cooperative planning continues among the Northwest Centennial states. Centennial directors from Montana, Wyoming, Washington, Idaho, and North and South Dakota will meet again in November in Pierre, South Dakota. Among the cooperative projects in the works are:

☞ A Northwest states exhibit in 1989 at the Capitol Mall in Washington, D.C.

☞ An exhibit of historic documents from the national archives relating to our early history. The exhibit would travel the Northwest in 1989-1990.

☞ A call on Congress to release \$200 million in already appropriated monies for historic preservation projects, nationwide, in commemoration of the Northwest centennials.

☞ A coordinated Northwest tourism promotion program throughout the Centennial period.

Minutes of May's Regional Meeting Are Available

The Report of Proceedings: Third Annual Centennial States Caucus, the record of the May regional meeting in Great Falls, is now available. If you would like a copy, write or call the Centennial Office, PO Box 1989, Helena, MT 59620 (444-1989).

LAPEL PINS ARE READY

The Centennial logo cloisonne lapel pin will soon be available in selected retail outlets. Pins can also be ordered retail directly from the Centennial Office at \$2.50 each or wholesale from the distributor. The pins come in large (about one inch across) and small (about three-quarters of an inch across). Please specify size when ordering.

If you need the names of the outlets where the pins are being sold in your area, or if you wish to retail the pins or use them as an organizational fund raising tool, contact the distributor, Jack Beatty, at Nissi Enterprises, Star Route, Conner, MT 59827 (821-4524).

ADS PROMOTE LICENSE PLATES

A new radio and television ad campaign airing statewide is now promoting Montana's Centennial license plates. The advertising calls the product "Montana's license to celebrate."

The television ad shows a rancher in a Montana landscape, and a young girl and her grandmother looking through a family photo album. It ends with the Centennial logo, which is available for licensed use to help promote Centennial products and projects throughout the state.

The sale of the license plates and other products will help finance the 1989 Statehood Centennial celebration. The plates cost \$19.89 plus a \$3 county treasurer's fee.

The Centennial Office continues to promote fund raising projects such as deeds to Centennial Acres, lapel pins, and genuine 100-year-old warrants issued to Montanans during the final years of Montana's territorial status and early years of statehood (see page 9).

CENTURY CITIZEN NEWS

Montana's Century Citizen Project was judged as one of the nation's most outstanding examples of public-private sector partnership by the professional journal, *The Community Relations Report*, in a recent competition.

Penny Copps, Community Relations manager for Mountain Bell and the project's originator, accepted the national award in September. "It's exciting to have this project receive national recognition because it has been an extremely rewarding one," she said. She cited the cooperative efforts of several state agencies and the involvement of about 80 Mountain Bell employees as keys to the program's success.

Funded by a grant from Mountain Bell, the Century Citizen Project is a cooperative effort among the Statehood Centennial Office, Moun-

tain Bell employees, the Governor's Council on Aging, the Historical Society, and the Office of Public Instruction.

At the Governor's Conference on Aging in Missoula in early September, 222 names were added to the official Century Citizens Honor Roll, bringing the total of those honored to 278. Nominations will continue to be taken until 1989 and can be submitted by writing to the Centennial Office, P.O. Box 1989, Capitol Station, Helena, MT 59620. Name, address, birthdate, and a brief biographical paragraph about the nominee should be included, as well as name, address, and telephone number of the nominator. To be eligible nominees must be 100 years of age or older by 1989 and have lived most of their lives in Montana.

CASCADE COUNTY '89ERS WANT YOUR IDEAS

'89ers in Cascade County are encouraged to become involved in the Cascade County chapter of the '89ers. The group's first public meeting is scheduled for January 1988. However, since last May a steering committee has been busy with preliminary organizational work.

How would you like to see Montana's Centennial celebrated in Cascade County? If you have ideas, please contact the local '89ers through the Great Falls Chamber of Commerce. And, we'll see you and your friends and neighbors in January.

PLANNING GRANT AWARDED FOR CENTENNIAL HISTORY SYMPOSIUM

The Montana Historical Society has received an award of \$8,240 from the National Endowment for the Humanities in support of the planning portion of the "Centennial Symposium of the Northern Tier States' History." The funds will be used to gather 14 historians from Montana, Idaho, Washington, North and South Dakota, and Wyoming to plan for a June 1989 symposium and to discuss the publication of essays about the histories of the statehood movements for these states.

The northern tier states are a unique region and share a fascinating history that has rarely

COMING SOON!

The first edition of the catalog of Centennial products and projects will be included in the November newsletter.

been viewed as a unit. In the nine months between November 2, 1889, and July 10, 1890, the six states were admitted to the federal union, the largest block since the transformation of the 13 British colonies. Although remarkable in itself, perhaps more important is the fact that all of the states were along the northern boundary of the nation--four of them contiguous to Canada. They share a common history that is based on geography, economy, society, and politics.

Scholarly papers and essays, selected from those presented at the symposium, will be published by the Montana Historical Society Press. Papers should be sent to H. Duane Hampton, Department of History, University of Montana, Missoula, MT 59812, *no later than February 1, 1988.*

If you have questions about the Centennial Symposium, call or write Jennifer Jeffries Thompson, Montana Historical Society, 225 N. Roberts, Helena, MT 59620 (444-4794).



TIPS ON COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION

A number of years ago veteran planners and participants in various centennials were brought together to comment on their experiences with the territorial centennial, U.S. Bicentennial, and town and community centennial celebrations. The one message that came through loud and clear was that "excitement and cooperation"-- not grants--were essential to success. The wisdom of this experience is borne out as we see communities gearing up for the Montana statehood centennial. From Conrad to Great Falls, from Hamilton to Billings, celebrations are being planned for 1989. Community events are the very key to a successful Montana Centennial.

Planning a celebration of this nature has obvious elements: How do we celebrate our past? How do we bring into focus the dynamics of today? What do we do to leave a legacy for the future that is permanent and relevant? No matter what the source of that initial excitement, a community's planning process ultimately becomes its map for the Centennial year. That map should be carefully drawn.

Clearly those who wait for planning grants before starting to develop Centennial events will have little to show in 1989. In short, thorough planning is essential. Elements left to chance and serendipity are not likely to succeed and can rarely be depended upon.

Another truism: the broader the involvement and the greater the sense of ownership by each person in a community, the more magnificent the celebration.

It also is important to work through existing successful organizations. While some communities may plan from the top down--from county commissioners to mayors to city councils, for example--many Centennial plans will form because the most exciting "can do" people find an opportunity to get together. A bit of dreaming, a desire to put a community forward in its best light, and a focus on a few events with broad impact can get things going in a hurry.

The Centennial Commission wants to hear from every community in the state on how the best party in one hundred years is developing. The resources available from the State Centennial Office are yours for the asking.

HATS OFF TO OUR DONORS!

The Montana Statehood Centennial Office is grateful for the donations recently made by Jim Iverson and Gary and Nita Peck.

Iverson, of Iverson Scandinavian Manufacturing Co., a Missoula custom cabinetry firm, loaned a computer table to the Centennial Office.

The Pecks, of the Broken Wheel Gallery and Frame Shop in Great Falls, donated the framing of the Centennial Office copy of "The Governor's Edition," a special reproduction of an original oil painting by Gary Carter.

Lt. Governor George Turman and the Centennial Office staff express their appreciation for this public spirit and willingness to help with preparations for Montana's 100th birthday.

000 CALENDAR 000

- Oct. 22--Centennial Commission meeting, Helena
- Oct. 22--3rd Annual '89ers Dinner, Colonial Inn, Helena
- Oct. 22-24--"Images of the West: Fact, Fantasy, and Memory," Montana Historical Society Conference, Helena

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THEN AND NOW: NOTES ON CENTENNIAL HISTORY

WHO WAS HONEST JOE TOOLE?

Visitors to the Capitol frequently ask whose portrait hangs above the south hearth of the Governor's Reception Room. It is Joseph Kemp Toole (born May 12, 1851, died March 11, 1929), Montana's first state governor. "Honest Joe," as many of his contemporaries called him, had a long and varied public career, one that played a significant role in Montana's admission to the Union in 1889.

Toole was born and raised in northwest Missouri, where his parents had migrated from Kentucky. After attending schools in St. Joseph and New Castle, Kentucky, in 1869 Toole came to Helena, where an older brother, Warren, had a very successful law practice.

Joseph was admitted to the Montana Bar in 1872 and that same year began serving the first of two terms as District Attorney. In 1880 he won a seat on the Territorial Council and, despite being a first-term member, served as its president.

Twice Toole won election as Montana's territorial delegate and

served in the 49th and 50th Congresses. During his second term, he was instrumental in securing passage of the Omnibus Bill for the admission to statehood of Washington, North and South Dakota, and Montana. His House speech on behalf of Montana statehood won him favorable national recognition as an orator and increased his many friends at home in Montana.

In 1889 Toole was a leading member of the Constitutional Convention, which wrote Montana's first state constitution. Toole had also been a prominent member of the abortive Constitutional Convention of 1884.

On October 1, 1889, Toole, at the age of 38, won election as the state's first governor, the only Democrat elected on the statewide ticket that year. Toole chose not to run again in 1893 but was re-elected in 1900 and again in 1904. He did not complete his third term because ill-health forced him to resign his office on April 1, 1908.

As governor, Toole advocated many administrative and political reforms, such as direct legislation

through initiative and referendum, and woman suffrage, all of which secured eventual adoption.

Toole's second term was marked by the famous shutdown of 1903. In the fall of that year, the Amalgamated Copper Company, predecessor of the Anaconda Copper Mining Company, ordered a lockout of its numerous operations, thus putting a majority of Montana's wage earners out of work. As a condition for resuming operations, Amalgamated demanded that Governor Toole call a special session of the legislature to pass bills the company needed to remove opposition and further consolidate its hold on Montana's economy. This blatant use of corporate power against the governor of a sovereign state attracted widespread and unfavorable national attention to Montana and its dependence on the copper industry.

On May 6, 1890, Toole married Lily Rosecrans, the daughter of General William S. Rosecrans of Civil War fame. The Tooles had three sons.



CONSTITUTIONAL CONNECTIONS

September 17, Constitution Day and the 200th anniversary of the signing of the U.S. Constitution, was a day of a wide range of citizen activities across Montana.

In Cut Bank the high school band, the VFW and VFW Auxiliary collaborated in a flag-raising ceremony in the city park. In Missoula the courthouse lawn accommodated a large crowd to witness a tree planting and hear a speech by University of Montana history professor Harry Fritz. A group of naturalized citizens gave a public reading of the Constitution. In Bozeman the day was marked by bell ringing, speeches, and people in eighteenth-century costume who passed

out literature on the Constitution at the public library.

Helena's dedicated a new city park in the morning. Afternoon ceremonies at the Capitol included a National Guard jet fly-over and presentation of the colors, and speeches by State Supreme Court Justice Russell C. McDonough and District Court Judge Gordon Bennett. Ceremonies ended with citizens signing a 15-foot facsimile of the Constitution in the Capitol Rotunda. Also in Helena, several groups sponsored a public "Conference for Constitutional Literacy."

Constitution Bicentennial events will continue in October with a series of Jefferson Meetings presented by the Jefferson Foundation, the Ameri-

can Civil Liberties Union of Montana, Montana Education Association, League of Women Voters of Montana, State Bar of Montana, and Marketing Arm, Inc.

The Jefferson Meetings are as follows:

Billings, October 15
Havre, October 16-17
Glendive, October 23-24
Great Falls, October 23-24
Missoula, October 30-31

For more information, contact Jane Van Dyk, Jefferson Meeting Project Director, PO Box 3012, Billings, MT 59103 (248-1065)



SANCTIONING ACTIONS

The Montana Statehood Centennial Commission has sanctioned 71 of 101 applications for Centennial products, projects, or affiliation. The following summaries describe the 66 applications receiving final approval on remittance of their signed licenses.

PRODUCTS

Double Cabin Trading Company

ATTN: H. P. Gibson
P.O. Box 249
Victor, MT 59875

Centennial commemorative medalion, bronze, pewter, and silver

Country Creations

ATTN: A.C. Lane
P.O. Box 148
Victor, MT 59875

Centennial "duster" garment

GO Wholesale, Inc.

ATTN: Duane Grosulak
21 S. Broadway
P.O. Box 1020
Billings, MT 59103

Two Smith & Wesson handguns, limited editions

Security Equipment, Inc.

ATTN: Paul Ferda
2123 Vaughn Road
Great Falls, MT 59404

Smith & Wesson handgun to law enforcement officials

Aaron Pursley

Box 1037
Big Sandy, MT 59520

Handcrafted knives, limited edition

S & S Specialty's Inc.

ATTN: Brad Ness
P.O. Box 2923
Fargo, ND 58108

Winchester rifle, limited edition

Northwest Screening Specialties

ATTN: Tom Peterson
615 Whitaker Drive
Missoula, MT 59803
Porcelain and glassware

Vigilante Enterprises

ATTN: Jeff Hill and Ron Elerick
c/o Angler's Roost Sport Shop
2255 South First
Hamilton, MT 59840

Handgun, single action revolver

Treasure State Foundry

ATTN: Steven R. Funke
54 Rising Sun Circle #2
Kalispell, MT 59901

Belt buckles: bronze, American pewter, and sterling silver, limited edition.

Alloy pewter buckle with Centennial logo.

Von Ben Hoyt Distributors

ATTN: Dorothy A. Hoyt
412 Kokanee Drive
Columbia Falls, MT 59912
Montana sapphires "Miner Bags"

Shiloh Rifle Manufacturing Co.

ATTN: Wolfgang A. Droege
P.O. Box 279
Big Timber, MT 59011
Three models of 1874 Sharps rifles

The Monogrammer

ATTN: Shirley Weaver
9175 York Road
Helena, MT 59601
Monogrammed shirts, caps, and jackets

Centennial '89, Inc.

ATTN: Ronald Clark
P.O. Box 8900
Helena, MT 59601

Lapel pins with state seal: gold plate, bronze, silver, and gold medium

Coins: five silver, one gold

Limited edition reproductions of "The Governor's Edition," by Gary Carter

Montana Silversmiths

ATTN: Bob Grummett
Box 839
Columbus, MT 59019

Belt buckle: silver plate with jeweler's bronze highlights, two designs

Montana Beverages Ltd.

(dba Kessler Brewing Co.)
ATTN: Bruce H. DeRosier
1439 Harris Street
Helena, MT 59601

Kessler: The Montana Centennial Beer

Crown Beverage Co. Inc.

ATTN: Bruno Friia
P.O. Box 8959
Missoula, MT 59801

and

Harkins Wholesale

ATTN: Jack Harkins, Jr.
445 Centennial
Butte, MT 59701

Centennial Cola (Royal Crown and Diet Rite)

Shining Mountain Collectibles
ATTN: Stuart McQuade
135 Old Highway 93
Somers, MT 59932
Porcelain and glassware

Eagle Athletic, Inc.
ATTN: Russell Corn
728 6th. Street N.W.
Great Falls, MT 59400
Quilted, lined athletic jacket, 100 percent Dupont nylon

Kellem's Saddle Shop
ATTN: Les V. Kellem
P.O. Box 40
Gardiner, MT 59030
Custom-made saddles

Leighton-Boster & Associates
ATTN: Kenneth R. Leighton-Boster
821C North 27th Street
Billings, MT 59101
Belt buckles: sterling silver and 14K gold, limited edition

PROJECTS

Montana Promotion Division
Department of Commerce
1429 9th Avenue
Helena, MT 59620
Logo use for 1987 Group Planning Tour Guide
Information brochure
Travel promotion materials
General logo use

Fort Benton Community Improvement Association
Robert L. Leinart, Chairman
P.O. Box 339
Fort Benton, MT 59442
June 23-25, 1989, 3-day celebration

The Nature Conservancy
ATTN: Robert Kiesling
P.O. Box 258
Helena, MT 59624
Fund raising project to establish a system of nature preserves

Western Legacy
ATTN: Phil Sriver
1104 Avenue C North West
Great Falls, MT 59404
Dedication of bronze statue, "The Explorers at the Portage"

Great Falls Advertising Federation
ATTN: Peggy Hoss
P.O. Box 619
Great Falls, MT 59401
1989 Annual C.M. Russell Auction

Big Sky State Games
ATTN: Tom Osborne
P.O. Box 2318
Billings, MT 59103
July 1989 state athletic games

St. Mary's Mission Board of Directors
ATTN: Lucylle H. Evans
P.O. Box 211
Stevensville, MT 59870
November 12-13, 1988, celebration to launch the Centennial year

Charlie Russell's Yarns
ATTN: Raphael Cristy
P.O. Box 9177
Helena, MT 59601
"Charlie Russell's Yarns": Centennial-related entertainment for referrals and independent bookings

Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks
Parks Division
ATTN: Don Hyypa, Administrator
Capitol Station
Helena, MT 59620
Capitol floral display of logo during summers of 1988 and 1989

Bitterroot Valley Historical Society
Ravalli County Museum
205 Bedford
Hamilton, MT 59840
Summer 1989: Outdoor pageant dramatizing the history of the Bitterroot Valley

Voyage of the Centennial Messenger
ATTN: Allan Maybee
Riverton Area Chamber of Commerce
1st and Main Street
Riverton, WY 82501
300-mile horseback and 2,500-mile canoe (mountain-man style) journeys

Libby Nordicfest
ATTN: Mary D. Holter
Box 791
Libby, MT 59920
September 15-17, 1989: "Libby Nordicfest," stressing northern European culture

Mountain Bluebird Trails
ATTN: Art Aylesworth
P.O. Box 794
Ronan, MT 59864
Establishment of a trail of bluebird nest boxes across Montana

Legislative Spouses
c/o Barbara Marks
302 Lump Gulch Route
Clancy, MT 59634
Crocheted snowflakes or birds for the Capitol Rotunda Christmas tree, beginning 1987

Montana Division of American Association of University Women, et al.
ATTN: Nancy Harvey
404 2nd S.W.
Cut Bank, MT 59427
November 13-14, 1987, conference: "Molders and Shapers"

Montana Draft Horse & Mule Association
Centennial Wagon Train Committee
ATTN: Leslie B. Clark
P.O. Box 4254
Helena, MT 59604
Wagon trains meeting in Helena, spring of 1989

Rob Quist (Glacier Country Productions)

ATTN: Chris Racicot
808 12th Avenue
Helena, MT 59601

Rob Quist: Centennial related entertainment for referrals and independent bookings

Visual Dynamics

ATTN: Robert Zingmark
125 East Beckwith
Missoula, MT 59801

"Centennial Memory" series of 2-minute video episodes

P.S., A Partnership

ATTN: Linda Peavy and Ursula Smith
1104 South Fifth
Bozeman, MT 59715

Pamelia, a three-act opera based on the letters of James and Pamela Fergus

Oregon Province of the Society of Jesus

ATTN: Luke J. Larson, S.J.
N. 1107 Astor
Spokane, WA 99201

Re-enactment of early missionaries' journey by modern-day Jesuits, through portions of Montana

Montana Historical Society

ATTN: Robert Archibald
225 N. Roberts
Helena, MT 59620

June 1989, six-state regional conference

Oral history publication featuring excerpts and photos from six Montana regions

Series of noon-hour family programs presented on the Society lawn, Helena

Centennial history lecture series about women, presented at the Society

Quilt competition and exhibition
Annual Centennial Planning Sessions at the Montana History Conference

Centennial anthology, "Last Great Place"

Renovation of the Montana History Exhibit

SGSH Centennial Year Reunion

ATTN: G. Thomas Biglen
P.O. Box 89
Big Timber, MT 59011

Class reunion for all Sweet Grass County High School graduates, serving as scholarship fundraiser

Haynes Fine Arts Gallery

ATTN: John Anacker
Haynes Hall
Montana State University
Bozeman, MT 59717

Spring of 1989: Juried contemporary art show and exhibit

Museum of the Rockies

ATTN: Judy Weaver
Montana State University
400 West Kagy
Bozeman, MT 59717

Summer of 1989: Dedication of Museum expansion and Tinsley Homestead

Montana Minutes

ATTN: Lynne Turner Fitzgerald
96 B Antelope Trail
Billings, MT 59105

60-second vignettes of Montana's past, aired statewide by commercial radio stations

Miracle of America's Story Museum Inc.

ATTN: W. Gilbert Mangels
Rt. 1 Hwy 93S Box 58176
Polson, MT 59860

Restoration of the only remaining Flathead Lake logging tow boat, "The Paul Bunyan"

Jerry L. Williams

1918 36th Street
Missoula, Montana 59801

Use of handouts at desktop publishing seminars to promote the Centennial

The Spokane Memorial

ATTN: Mr. & Mrs. Joe Olheiser
1616 Cannon #23
Helena, MT 59601

May 6, 1989: Lewis and Clark County horse race for Montana-born and -trained thoroughbreds

Yellowstone Art Center and Montana Historical Society

ATTN: Donna Forbes
401 N. 27th
Billings, MT 59101

May-September 1989: Art exhibit of major pieces from the William A. Clark Collection

Custer County Art Center

ATTN: Laurie J. Rufe, Director
P.O. Box 1284
Water Plant Road
Miles City, MT 59301

May 1989: Cowboy poetry and range ballads

Denes G. Istvanffy

P.O. Box 20343
Billings, MT 59104

Traveling photographic exhibition featuring Montana mining towns

AFFILIATES

Local organizations established to conduct a wide range of planning and scheduling activities in support of the Centennial Celebration and to encourage public participation at the local and regional levels.

Bitterroot Centennial Organization

Robert B. Scott, Chairman
102 Geneva
Hamilton, MT 59840

Cascade County '89ers

Richard Martin, Chairman
P.O. Box 2127
Great Falls, MT 59403

The Centennial Commission is attempting to meet on a monthly basis. To be eligible for the agenda, sanctioning proposals should be received at the Centennial Office at least 12 days before the meeting. For specific dates and deadlines, call the Centennial Office (444-1989).

The Centennial Store

PRICE LIST



CENTENNIAL ACRE DEEDS\$10.00 each

The **first acre** in the series is a site at the Missouri Headwaters State Park with extraordinary recreational features, cultural significance and excellent visitor conveniences. The **second acre**, announced in 1986, is on the Scobey Road between Poplar and Wolf Point. When ordering, specify your preference for "**HEADWATERS ACRE**" or the new "**HOMESTEAD ACRE.**" Also, mention whether or not you want a gift line with your name inserted below the recipient's name on the deed. (All orders must include name/address of recipients for each deed; your name/address if different; where deed(s) should be mailed. Deeds are \$10 each. Additional contributions or an added amount for postage/handling are welcome and tax deductible.)

TERRITORIAL TREASURY WARRANTS.....\$15.00 each

A limited quantity of **original warrants** from 1887--now matted, with border sketches by J.K. Ralston--have been donated for resale by the Centennial Office. Of historical value, each warrant bears the name of a bounty hunter and the amount paid for animals killed, along with handwritten endorsements on the back.

CAPITOL GRANITE.....minimum order \$5.00 per shipping address

Listed below are products made from granite that has "weathered the political seasons of the statehouse" for 75 years (1910-1985):

CHIPS in cloth bag.....	\$ 2.50
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CHUNK unmounted (paperweight).....	\$ 5.00
CHUNK mounted on pine.....	\$ 7.50
CHUNK mounted on pine with pen.....	\$11.25

Each product comes with an explanation of the conditions surrounding the installation and removal of the material on the east wing exterior.

Proceeds from above items support Montana's 1989 Statehood Centennial.

Send check or money order to:

**The Centennial Store
P.O. Box 1989
Capitol Station
Helena, Montana 59620**

Include legible, complete information--specifying purchaser and recipients' names and addresses, if gifts--and clear mailing instructions for each item.

CENTENNIAL LICENSE PLATES

At the option of motorists, special commemorative plates--can be purchased from any County Treasurer for **\$19.89**. This amount, which is contributed directly to the Centennial Office, is in addition to any other applicable license fees.



*JOIN US
on the eve of the
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THE '89ers DINNER

*Thursday, October 22
5-7 pm*

Colonial Inn, Helena

"Centennial Fever"

Lt. Governor George Turman
Chairman, Montana Statehood
Centennial Commission
Featured Speaker

*\$10 per person
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REGISTRATION FORM 14th ANNUAL MONTANA HISTORY CONFERENCE October 22-24, 1987

Name _____

Address _____

Institute or affiliation _____

Preconference Centennial Workshops, Oct. 22 (\$15.00)

Select one from morning, one from afternoon

AM _____ Oral History _____ Writing History

PM _____ Oral History _____ Postcards _____ Historic buildings

'89ers Annual Dinner, Oct. 22, 5-7 pm (\$10.00)

History Conference, Oct. 23 and 24

Registration fee \$20.00

Luncheon, Friday, Oct. 23, at Frontier Town

Bus transportation \$2.00

Meal \$6.50

Southcentral Helena Bus Tour, Oct. 23 (\$2.00)

Banquet and Awards Ceremony, Oct. 23 (\$10.00)

Breakfast, Oct. 24 (\$4.50)

Luncheon, Oct. 24 (\$6.50)

MT Committee for the Humanities Banquet, Oct. 24 (\$15.00)

Prices for meals include gratuities.

**PLEASE INCLUDE PAYMENT WITH
YOUR REGISTRATION FORM.**

Make checks payable to Montana History Conference.

Registration must be received by October 15.

**MAIL TO: Montana Historical Society, 225 N. Roberts,
Helena, MT 59620**

(Please do not send to Centennial Office)

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SEASON'S GREETINGS

 *This Eighty-Niner offers a special opportunity for holiday shopping. Included is a list of some of the products which have been sanctioned and licensed by the Centennial Commission and are now on the market. We encourage you to take a look, make an order, or contact the vendor for more information.*

Centennial products make unique Christmas gifts for family and friends—they may be just what you're looking for.

CENTENNIAL SAL WOOS THEM ALL

She may be a dummy, but right now she is the Centennial's top celebrity.

Centennial Sal is a colorful plywood dummy made by Sandy Heffelfinger's sixth-grade students at Jefferson School in Helena. Over a month ago the class left her at a road side rest stop near Helena, with instructions to passing drivers to take her to Montana congressman Pat Williams in Washington, D.C., 2,300 miles away. Lt. Governor George Turman, Chairman of the Centennial Commission, helped see her off.

Sal has a friendly freckled face, braids, and an outstretched thumb. She carried an information sheet and self-addressed postcards, which travelling companions were asked to use to report on her progress. She also carried the hopes and fears of her young creators, who at times thought she might be run over by a truck, mugged, or lost.

Prime time national news had a story about Montana Mike—another mannequin, who hitch-

hiked to Denver—taken from a Salt Lake City TV station which had aired the story there. But a long period went by without a word about Sal.

A photo of Sal "visiting" middle school kids in Roosevelt, Utah, appeared in the *Uintah Basin Standard* in mid-October. In the end, fifteen postcards from Sal's companions told the class that she had made stops in Utah, Michigan, Indiana, Pennsylvania, and Maryland. She generated so much excitement, she may be looking at bookings on David Letterman's show, *The Tonight Show*, and in *People* magazine.

At the end of her journey, she spent a few weeks with students in Maryland, where "the kids now know more about Montana than any other state but Maryland," according to Anne Murphy, teacher of the fifth graders at Indian Head Elementary School. The kids personally delivered Sal to Rep. Pat Williams. She posed on the steps of the nation's Capitol with the class, Williams, and other members of Congress, spent a few days in Williams's office, and met the Speaker of the House. Williams planned to return her to Jefferson School on November 24.

The Centennial Office is thrilled with the Jefferson students' project and looks at the class—for obvious reasons—as honorary consultants in public relations.

BANNACK ACRE UNVEILED

Lt. Governor George Turman, Chairman of the Centennial Commission, has unveiled the third Centennial Acre. The Bannack Acre is at the site of the first session of the territorial legislature. Its history reflects the pioneers' sense of community that ultimately culminated in state-

hood.

Symbolic deeds to a square inch of the Bannack, Headwaters, or Homestead Acre are available through the Centennial Office (see order form included in this newsletter).

A LOOK AT THE CENTENNIAL WEST

Montana the Magazine of Western History, published by the Montana Historical Society, is devoting its Autumn issues for the next four years to special articles on the Centennial West, in celebration of the six state centennials in the Northwest region in 1989 and 1990.

The first issue in the series (Autumn 1987) examines the politics of statehood movements. Future issues will look at Economics (1988), Society and Culture (1989), and Arts and Architecture (1990).

For subscription information, contact the Montana Historical Society, Helena, MT 59620 (444-4708).

COMMISSION SANCTIONING ACTIONS

At its October meeting, the Montana Statehood Centennial Commission sanctioned several new products, projects, and publications. Once final approval is given upon the remittance of signed licenses, the items will be listed in *The Eighty-Niner*. The following have been added to the list of fully licensed products and projects:

Products

🔪 Limited edition "folding hunter" Buck knife, from Buck Knife Co. Inc. of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

🍫 Chocolate and toffee depictions of the Centennial logo, from Sticky Spoon Confectioners, Bozeman.

🔪 Limited edition handcrafted knives with brass and native elkhorn handle, from Mountain Design, Red Lodge.

🍷 Etched glass cups, mugs, stemware, and flat glass plaques, from Blaketch of Helena.

👒 A custom-made Centennial edition cowboy hat from Kirkpatrick Custom Hatters of Wisdom.

🧥 A short-length version of the Centennial duster garment, from Country Creations of Victor (now available in short and long).

📅 Bumper stickers, notecards, and placemats, from Color World Printers, Bozeman.

Projects

🏠 Mondak Heritage Center, Sidney: Three art shows (Wildlife, Places, People) in 1989.

🏠 State Department of Natural Resources, Helena: Publication of a booklet tracing the history of Montana's natural resource use.

🏠 Daly Days: Festival of the Arts, Hamilton: Art festival, June-July 1989.

🏠 Daly Mansion Preservation Trust, Inc., Hamilton: Listing of Riverside, Daly estate in Bitterroot Valley, as Centennial Historic Site.

🎭 Opera Workshop of Western Montana, Missoula: A musical folk opera/festival celebrating the Centennial.

Stores carrying Centennial products will soon sport window decals with the logo, signifying that they are selling officially sanctioned products.

WELCOME NEW AFFILIATES

The Centennial Commission has approved three new Eighty-Niner affiliate groups. A friendly welcome to the Pondera County Centennial Committee, the Yellowstone Eighty-Niners (Billings), and the Bozeman Centennial Committee.

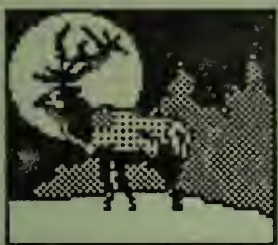
The Commission and staff look forward to working with these groups. We hope to see more affiliates as the new year begins.

JANUARY COMMISSION MEETING

The next Centennial Commission meeting is tentatively scheduled for January 7-8, in Helena. Sanctioning applications must be in the Centennial Office by December 15. Call 444-1989 for information.

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CENTENNIAL PRODUCTS



MAKE IT A CENTENNIAL CHRISTMAS

The following private vendors responded to our invitation to be included in this special holiday listing of products sanctioned by the Montana Statehood Centennial Commission. This "catalogue" is a preliminary one; a full catalogue of Centennial items will be available in early 1988.

ART PRINTS AND PINS

The Heritage of Montana: The Governors' Edition—Limited edition color lithograph reproduced from an oil by artist Gary Carter. Montage of themes important to Montana history. Each lithograph is signed by the artist and by Montana's four living governors. Image size is 20x30". \$250 plus \$10 postage/handling.

Lapel pins: Jewelry-quality one-inch lapel pin in the shape of Montana, with state seal, "Montana Centennial 1889-1989." In silver (\$25), gold plate (\$22.50), or bronze (\$18.50), plus \$2 postage/handling.

Centennial '89, Inc.
P.O. Box 8900
Helena, MT 59604
443-2883

GLASSWARE

Centennial logo printed on coffee cups (ceramic or clear glass), ceramic beer steins, and clear glass mugs. Contact Northwest for prices and handling fees.

Northwest Screening Specialties
2106 Reserve St.
Missoula, MT 59801
549-9425

ETCHED GLASS

Glassware etched with the Centennial logo or state seal. Coffee mug or beer mug (\$11.95); champagne flute or wine glass, 24% lead (\$33.75); crystal paper weight (\$22.75); plaque in hardwood frame (\$85). FOB Helena.

Blaketch
315 9th Avenue
Helena, MT 59601
443-6468

WINCHESTER RIFLE

30-30 Winchester rifle in limited edition of 250. 24-karat gold plated, hand engraved with Centennial logo. Distributed by S & S Specialty's Inc. and available at:

Scheels Hardware
1233 24th St. West
Billings, MT 59102
Holiday Village #3
Great Falls, MT 59401

REVOLVER

A uniquely designed single-action, stainless steel revolver with a bird's head-style grip and short barrel. Engraved with the Vigilante Eye, Centennial date, and the words, "Montana Vigilante." Limited edition of 1000 of each of 3 calibers: .22 mag. (\$95); .357 mag. (\$739); .44 mag. (\$759). Set of 3,

\$2095 (deposit of \$250 with registration number).

Vigilante Enterprises
c/o Angler's Roost Sport Shop
2255 South First
Hamilton, MT 59840
363-1268

SHARPS RIFLES

1874 Sharps metallic cartridge rifles in 3 models.

Bridgeport: Semi-fancy walnut stock, 45/70 traditional steel buttplate, 12 lb. buffalo rifle. \$1075.

Hartford: Pewter-tip forearm, Hartford collar, semi-fancy walnut stock, 45/70 12 lb. buffalo rifle. \$1375.

Presentation Creedmore: Traditional engraving and checkering, extra-fancy walnut stock, pewter-tip forearm, wind gauge spirit level (front), and vernier tang (rear) sights. 45/70 10 lb. regulation long-range rifle. Comes in solid black walnut case. \$3950.

Shiloh Rifle Manufacturing Co.
P.O. Box 279
Big Timber, MT 59011
932-4454

POCKET KNIFE

Limited edition of pocket knives handmade and engraved by Aaron Pursley, made of silver, gold, copper, buffalo horn, and stainless steel. 7 1/2"

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(open). \$895.

AP Pocket Knives
Box 1037
Big Sandy, MT 59520

BUCK KNIFE

Limited edition Buck #110 "folding hunter" knife. Blade features gold-filled design with grizzly bear. Macassar ebony handle with solid brass bolsters. See your Buck Knife dealer.

HANDCRAFTED KNIFE

Handcrafted knife with brass and native elkhorn handle, in solid oak velvet-lined case. Limited edition of 10. \$250.

Mountain Design
P.O. Box 68
Red Lodge, MT 59068
446-3845

COWBOY HAT

Custom-made 3X beaver cowboy hat with Centennial logo in liner. In Montana crease or traditional rancher crease. \$150

Kirkpatrick Custom Hatters
Box 114
Wisdom, MT 59761
689-3630

The following items are marketed by Nissi Enterprises. Nissi has a hot line for information and ordering. Many of the items—such as candy and pins—make ideal fundraising tools for local Eighty-Niner chapters or Centennial projects. Call:

1-800-327-6106

DUSTER AND PALO VERDE COWBOY COATS

Duster: Styled after the 100-year old Montana duster, like the cowboys wore. White, water-repellent 100%

cotton canvas duck trimmed in tanned elk hide or corduroy. Split up the back for riding; many other features. Sizes x-small through x-large. \$135 plus \$5 postage.

Palo Verde Cowboy Coat: Working cowboy's coat in shorter length. White, water-resistant 100% cotton canvas duck, leather or corduroy trim. Side vents for riding comfort; many other features. Sizes x-small through x-large. \$89.95 plus \$4 postage.

Country Creations
P.O. Box 148
Victor, MT 59875
642-3751 or 1-800-327-6106

CUSTOM SADDLES

Custom-made Centennial saddles in four limited editions: Will James (Will James saddle tree), Will James Hunter (matching saddle bags and rifle scabbard), All-Around (choice of saddle tree), All-Around Hunter (matching saddle bags and scabbard).

All saddles are made to order out of the finest Herman Oak leather and Hercules saddle trees, each elaborately carved and trimmed with Montana Silversmith's silver and silver Centennial horn cap. \$3,000 and up, plus \$20 postage/handling.

Kellem's Saddle Shop
P.O. Box 40
Gardiner, MT 59030
848-7776 or 1-800-327-6106

CANDY

Chocolate and toffee depictions of the Centennial logo. In various sizes, weights, and prices.

Sticky Spoon Confectioners
80742 Gallatin Road
Bozeman, MT 59715
1-800-327-6106

PORCELAIN

Porcelainware with Centennial logo. Wholesale prices per item for 12 or less: plate \$8.90; cups \$4.45; bells \$6.15; and thimbles \$3.35. Generous discounts for quantities of 48, 144, and 288.

Shining Mountain Collectibles
P.O. Box 3230
Kalispell, MT 59903
1-800-327-6106

MEDALLIONS

Limited edition of 101 sets of handsome Centennial medallions. Sets are numbered from 1889 to 1989, one for each year of Montana's statehood. Two inches across, in solid bronze, pewter, or sterling silver. Limited edition in Montana copper will be ready in March 1988.

Double Cabin Trading Company
P.O. Box 249
Victor, MT 59875
961-4188 or 1-800-327-6106

BELT BUCKLES

Limited edition belt buckles in bronze, (\$18.95), pewter with sapphire (\$29.95), and sterling silver with sapphire (\$150). Three collectors' series: Wildlife, Park, and Heritage, with choices in each. Many other features. In gift box with registration certificate.

Treasure State Foundry
54 Rising Sun Circle #2
Kalispell, MT 59901
1-800-327-6106

MONOGRAMMED CLOTHING

Centennial logo embroidered on shirts, jackets, patches.

The Monogrammer
9175 York Road
Helena, MT 59601

FROM THE CENTENNIAL STORE

*More great gifts for family and friends—
and a great way to support the 1989 Centennial*

CENTENNIAL ACRES

Give an inch—or two or three or four or more! Each handsome, personalized 8"x10" deed entitles the recipient to one symbolic square inch of the Treasure State. Available in choice of three acres:

Headwaters: At Headwaters State Park near Three Forks, a site significant to the Lewis and Clark expedition.

Homestead: An acre on the vast open prairie near Wolf Point, where Montana's homesteading tradition is strong.

Bannack: At the site of the first session of the territorial legislature in 1863, now preserved as Bannack State Park. Here the seeds of statehood were planted.

LAPEL PINS

Enamel on metal lapel pins with Centennial logo. Large (1") or small (3/4"): \$2.50 through the Centennial Office or local retailers.

Pins can also be ordered wholesale from the distributor--a great tool for Centennial activity fundraising. For wholesale information or the name of a retail outlet in your area, contact Nissi Enterprises at 1-800-327-6106.

TREASURY WARRANTS

Original warrants used in the late 1880s, each with bounty hunter's name and animals procured. Territorial warrant is mounted on board with pen-and-ink sketches (\$15). State warrant is unmounted, limited quantity (\$20).

CAPITOL GRANITE

Original granite from Montana's Capitol building, preserved during remodeling 1985. The granite has weathered the environmental as well as political seasons of the statehouse for 75 years!

Chips in bag.....\$2.50
Chip in plastic box..... \$3.50
Chunk..... \$5.00
(unmounted paperweight)
Chunk on pine..... \$7.50
Chunk on pine with pen..... \$11.25

Minimum order of \$5.00. Prices include shipping.



ORDER FORM

Make check payable to Montana Statehood Centennial and mail to: Centennial Office, P.O. Box 1989, Helena, MT 59620.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

NO.

TOTAL

_____ Centennial Acres @ \$10 ea. _____
(complete the information at right)
_____ Large lapel pins @ \$2.50 ea. _____
_____ Small lapel pins @ \$2.50 ea. _____
_____ Territorial warrants @ \$15 ea. _____
_____ State warrants @ \$20 ea. _____
_____ Granite: _____

TOTAL _____

Additional contributions or an added amount for postage and handling are welcome and tax deductible.

☐ Headwaters ☐ Homestead ☐ Bannack

Name on deed _____

Address _____

Optional gift line inscribed below name: "A gift from..."

Mail to: ☐ Purchaser ☐ Recipient

☐ Headwaters ☐ Homestead ☐ Bannack

Name on deed _____

Address _____

Optional gift line inscribed below name: "A gift from..."

Mail to: ☐ Purchaser ☐ Recipient

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

FOR OFFICIALLY SANCTIONED

T-shirts/Golf shirts

Sweat shirts/Sweat pants

Caps

The Montana Statehood Centennial Commission is issuing
Requests for Proposals for the exclusive rights to produce and
market any or all of these officially sanctioned Centennial items:
T-shirts/ golf shirts, sweat shirts and pants, and caps.

For information and/or applications, write:

Dot Walther
Centennial Office
PO Box 1989, Capitol Station
Helena, MT 59620
444-1989

MONTANA STATEHOOD CENTENNIAL OFFICE
P.O. Box 1989
Capitol Station
Helena, MT 59620

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NEWS & VIEWS
IN PREPARATION FOR MONTANA'S
STATEHOOD CENTENNIAL

The Final Countdown Begins

*A Message from
Statehood Centennial
Commission Chairman
Lt. Gov. Gordon McOmber*

1988 BEGINS THE FINAL COUNTDOWN to Montana's Centennial celebration. It is a special honor for me to chair the Centennial Commission, which oversees the planning for this historic occasion.

I join the Commission, staff, and other Montanans in an expression of heartfelt appreciation for the fine work of my predecessor, George Turman, who in early January was appointed to the Pacific Northwest Electric Power and Conservation Council.

The Centennial is a once in a lifetime opportunity. It will be a time for Montanans to proclaim our pride in our heritage and our enthusiasm for the present; it shows every sign of setting the stage for a bright and productive future.

Statehood allowed Montana to participate fully in the democratic system of government. Thus, it is fitting that Election Day—November 8, 1988—will be Montana's 99th birthday and the beginning of our 100th year as a state. A kick-off celebration in Stevensville the following weekend will officially begin the Centennial year, which continues until New Year's Eve, 1989.

In that period, the Montana calendar will be packed with special events and projects, from recreational to historical, local to statewide, and national to international in scope. The events will broadcast beyond our borders that we are justifiably proud to be the "last of what's best in America," but, more important, that we also intend to become the "first of what's next."

In the next six months, we will make an aggressive effort to help communities create official affiliates to coordinate local and regional activities. The other Commissioners and I, along with Centennial Director Tom Daubert and leaders of various events, will soon increase our travel for this purpose. Only with enthusiastic and well-organized committees working on the local level can we do the best job possible to promote tourism and other investments that begin in 1989 and last well into our second century.

We also will begin a promotional campaign to create "a state of excitement" that we call Centennial Fever. We hope to show all Montanans what the '89ers already know: that meaningful commemoration of our 100th birthday will be fun and enriching, both literally and figuratively.

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Welcome to the New *Eighty-Niner*

According to Montana writer Joseph Kinsey Howard, the *Montana Post* of Virginia City, one of the state's earliest newspapers, had rather auspicious beginnings on the mining frontier of the 1860s. Its founders arrived in the thriving gold camp with nothing but a case of battered type and an old hand press. Within three weeks they retired from "the hazardous field of journalism," sold the *Post*, and took up mining.

Although the Centennial frontier is rich with temptations (see "Centennial Communities" on page 7) and the deadlines are indeed hazardous, the staff at the Centennial Office have renewed their commitment to keeping you informed about the 1989 celebration. The *Eighty-Niner*--with a new look--is part of this effort.

The office will publish six bimonthly newsletters in 1988. The newsletters are produced on an Apple desktop publishing system and printed by Color World of Bozeman. The Apple Corporation and its ten Montana distributors provide valuable assistance.

Readers are encouraged to send information, ideas, letters to the editor, and announcements of activities for publication in the newsletter. Deadlines are about four weeks before the first of the month of publication. Call 444-1989 for a specific date.

One of the *Eighty-Niner's* new regular features is a series of insightful perspectives on the history of statehood, written by historian-author Richard Roeder. The first in the series, "From Wilderness to Statehood" (see page 6), explains the origins of territorial government, a uniquely American system. It also describes the politics that surrounded the early years of Montana Territory.

Local newspapers are invited to reprint this history series as long as they give Mr. Roeder and the Centennial Office credit.

THE STAFF
CENTENNIAL OFFICE

Countdown

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I invite you to continue to send your ideas and to ask for our help. If your community does not have an official affiliate yet, I encourage you to help create one. Convene a meeting of local civic, business, and cultural leaders to begin talking about how your community can celebrate, learn about its history, and reap the long-term benefits inherent in the Centennial. Once you start organizing, we would be delighted to send a team from our office to visit, offer assistance, and ensure that your Centennial activities are included in the many promotional programs we are planning. □

W. Gordon McOmber

GORDON McOMBER
Lieutenant Governor
Chairman, Montana Centennial Commission



Lt. Governor Gordon McOmber,
Chairman of the Statehood Centennial
Commission



George Turman now serves on the
Northwest Power Planning Council.

MONTANA CENTENNIAL OFFICE

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The bimonthly *Eighty-Niner* presents news and views in celebration of the 100th anniversary of Montana's statehood in 1989. For information, call 444-1989.

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Welcome, Gordon McOmber

Montanans welcome Lt. Governor Gordon McOmber to the Centennial team. By law, the Lieutenant Governor is head of the Montana Statehood Centennial Office and Chairman of the Centennial Commission.

McOmber served eleven sessions in the Montana Legislature and was the first Montanan elected Senate President under the provisions of the 1972 State Constitution. He served as President until 1977, when he was named Commissioner of Agriculture by Gov. Thomas Judge. He was reappointed to that position by Gov. Ted Schwinden in 1981. In 1982, he was appointed to

the Montana Reserved Water Rights Compact Commission, a state board that negotiates water rights with Indian tribes and federal agencies. He served as chairman of the commission from 1983 to 1986.

A grain farmer from Teton County, McOmber has served on various state councils. In 1986, he received the Distinguished Service to State Government award from the National Governors Association. A World War II Navy veteran, McOmber has three children and nine grandchildren. His wife, the former Jean Handel, worked for Montana political officials for many years.

Centennial Cattle Drive is in the Works

What has 40,000 legs, travels 58 miles, gets tender loving care from real Montana cowboys, and offers fun for everyone in the state? The Centennial Cattle Drive!

At its January meeting, the Centennial Commission sanctioned an old-fashioned Montana cattle drive from Roundup to Billings over Labor Day weekend, 1989. The event, initiated by Barry McWilliams of Luther and Stan Lynde of Red Lodge, will promote the state's 100th birthday celebration as

well as the Montana beef industry.

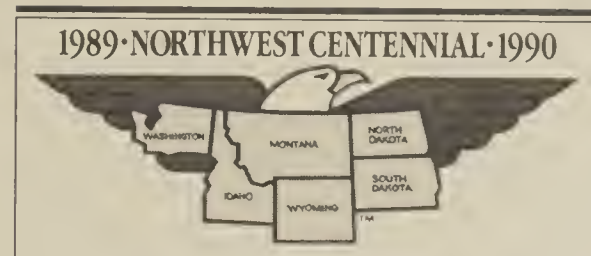
At least 10,000 cattle will make the trip, driven by a hundred cowboys selected from ranches across the state. Wagons to haul food, water, medical supplies, and sleeping gear will make the 58-mile journey as well.

One of the drive's goals is to display ranching skills handed down by working Montanans through the generations. The state has approved a special brand for the cattle drive--an open "M" with "89" under it.



Centennial Acre Program Gets a Boost from Brokaw--Centennial Director Tom Daubert (right) recently presented a deed to a Headwaters Acre to NBC newscaster Tom Brokaw in New York.

THE REGION



WYOMING

The Wyoming Centennial Commission recently sponsored a series of workshops to assist local communities with planning for the 1990 celebration. Over 20 affiliates have organized locally.

IDAHO

Plans include: Centennial Stars, a group of 100 businesses and organizations pledging Centennial funding; *The Idaho Songbook*; "100 Years of Idaho Art" exhibition; Centennial Headquarters, an historic building preservation project; Scholarship in History program; five-tribe Idaho Indian pow-wow; and more.

WASHINGTON

The legislative charge to Washington's Centennial Commission included a challenge "to give hope for a productive future." As the world economy looks to the Pacific, the "Pacific Celebration '89" component of Washington's centennial will add an international dimension.

NORTH DAKOTA

Fundraising was the focus of activity in North Dakota for the past few months. Products and projects are being sanctioned, and retail outlets have begun to market the items. A plan for a "Centennial Train" touring the six-state region is being reviewed.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Pierre hosted the six-state Northwest Centennial caucus last November. The state will "Celebrate the Century" in 1989 with a wagon train, folk arts festival, homecoming, Black Hills pow-wow, and a variety of other events.

Centennial Celebrity Shares Her Adventures

Centennial Sal, the plywood superstar from Helena's Jefferson School, has agreed to share excerpts from her journal. Last fall, Sal "hitchhiked" across the country to the office of Montana Representative Pat Williams in Washington, D.C. She then flew home to resume her studies and make a few celebrity appearances.

My self-assessment: "I guess you could describe me as a successful experiment."

How I was born: "Sharon Walker, the director of Project Promise, a program for gifted students, decided to make a dummy (excuse the expression)...and send it across the country as a hitchhiker. She and sixth grade teacher Sandy Heffelfinger hold strong views that all students should have an enriched education. Thus, I was born or created or sawed or evolved. At any rate, I exist. Various students' body parts were traced and combined to form me. So, I represent the sixth grade kids both physically and in spirit."

On travel: "Sharon said that I would be partaking of a marvelous adventure and that the students would send me off with their spirit and trust in America. They were to share in my adven-

ture in a vicarious manner. (Sure, why don't you look up vicarious—what a safe way to travel!)"

I suffer a bit of stage fright: "I knew then that I was the classroom guinea pig."

More coaxing was needed: "The teacher told me that she wanted her students to leave her classroom knowing that anything is possible. She wanted them to know that they do not need material wealth or chemicals to feel wonderful about life. She wanted them to know that all they need is imagination, a good sense of humor, and persistence."

Sal began her journey at a rest stop near Helena. She carried some facts about Montana—among them: "We have Glacier Park, water slides, Lewis and Clark Caverns, Virginia City, part of Yellowstone Park, much wildlife, Flathead Lake, good skiing, seven Indian reservations, the Custer Battlefield, many hot springs, and a lot of happy people."

After hundreds of miles through Wyoming and Colorado: "I was beginning to develop a liking for country music."

Endless Circling, Part 1: "We entered Illinois at Moline. The traffic was becoming intense. I wondered where everyone was going. We don't have a million people in Montana, so even if

everyone were out on the highway, I don't think it would look like this. I was relieved that I wasn't asked to take a turn at the wheel—not that I couldn't, mind you!"

Why Montana tollkeepers would fall asleep: "We sailed past Toledo, Cleveland, and Youngstown, Ohio. These incredible highways are called toll roads and turnpikes. I don't know how much tax money is spent to maintain these roads, but individual drivers are constantly paying fees to use them. I guess it wouldn't work in Montana. On some of our highways, the tollkeeper would have to wait hours between customers."

Endless Circling, Part 2: "Near Washington, D.C., Bruce (my driver) missed the turn-off to the Capitol. I was of little help since I had my eyes shut. I had visions of endless circling. Perhaps we would run out of gas and I would be chopped up for kindling so that Bruce could survive the evening chill."

Sal contemplates responsibility: "I realized that the agenda for my life since October 5th was not of my own choosing. Even though I enjoyed all of my experiences, I felt that every one of them was cut short. But, I nobly went on to Rep. Williams' office to fulfill my obligations."

I ease into the Washington scene: "What a time to be in Washington! Pat and I (we were soon on a first name basis) got on famously. I was an official greeter for his Montana visitors. I rode on a subway. I met the Speaker of the House, Jim Wright of Texas. I sat in on some budget meetings with Pat. I let him know how I felt about spending for education and about the fees on those toll roads."

Flying home: "Pat decided that it was time for me to return to Helena. I had traveled some 3,058 miles in 12 states during the last month and a half, and I was now to reverse that mileage in one day."

First class, please, and pass the hors d'oeuvres: "There was quite a discussion in Rep. Williams' office about whether I should fly in baggage or first

George Lane, courtesy of the Independent Record



Jefferson School students, Centennial Sal, and Rep. Pat Williams

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class. You can only imagine how I felt about that. Indeed!"

Watch out, Kareem! "Pat let me stay at his headquarters [in Helena] that night. One of his aides rigged up some roller skates on my feet so I could get around more smoothly. The skates added about six inches to my height."

Home at last: "Pat and I arrived at Jefferson School in triumph. It was my third or fourth media event. (I was becoming blasé.) Over 300 children, teachers, and officials cheered, waved flags, and smiled. We were on TV and

in the newspaper.

"I'm back in the sixth grade now. My future plans are to become a spokesperson for the Montana Statehood Centennial Commission through 1989."

What my sixth graders say they have learned from my trip:

How to read a road map.

How far it is to Washington, D.C.

A lot of information about 12 other states.

That we might like to visit these states.

That kids in big population areas will learn about us if their teachers make them do it.

That it is scary to be on TV.

The name of our representative and the name of one of Maryland's representatives.

That the Speaker of the House is from Texas.

A great deal of information about our Centennial.

That people in this country still care about little things like school projects. □

COMMISSION SANCTIONING ACTIONS

Licenses have been signed recently for several Centennial products and projects:

Montana Ballet Company, Missoula: Ghost Town Ballet, a touring performance of a modern ballet choreographed to 100-year-old music. Tours March 25-April 25, 1988, and spring 1989.

Gallatin County Historical Society: Promotion of publications: *My First 100 Years*, Mabel Ballantyne; *Law and Order in Gallatin County*, Merrill G. Burlingame; *Charles Anceney and the Flying D Ranch*, Gallatin County Historical Society

Montana Division of the American Association of University Women: Publication of *To Know the Meaning of the Words We Speak*, based on an oral history project on women as community builders.

Lewis and Clark Adventures with Marionettes, Missoula: Entertainment for bookings at secondary schools, adult community groups.

Eagle Bend Company, Bigfork: Golf tournament, 1989.

Montana Bandmasters Association, Miles City: Montana Centennial Band; high school students from across the state, available for bookings.

Rev. Tom Drake, Helena: *Brother Van Comes to Goosehill*, a puppet show production with music, dialogue, humor, advertising, and news from 1889. Available for schools, groups.

Norman Bert, Billings: *The Montana Times*, a script based on a late 19th

century newspaper. Available to theatres, groups.

Big Sky Scribes, Helena: 5th Annual Calligraphy Workshop and Exhibit, spring 1989, Lewis and Clark Library, Helena. Centennial theme.

Cascade County 89ers: The Centennial Parade, Great Falls.

Montana State Library, Helena: Use of Centennial logo for newsletter.

NOVEMBER 8, 1989

What would you like to see happen on November 8, 1989? That is Montana's official 100th birthday, commemorating the date of the arrival of the telegram that informed Montana Territory of its admission to statehood in 1889.

The Centennial Commission would like your ideas on activities, events, and projects that would make this particular day of the Centennial year all the more meaningful.

Send your idea to the Centennial Office, PO Box 1989, Capitol Station, Helena, MT 59620, or call 444-1989.

ORAL HISTORY GUIDE FOR COMMUNITIES

Montana women—as individuals and as members of formal and informal organizations—have played significant roles in the building of communities. Montanans are invited to use the Centennial as an opportunity to make an important contribution to an historical record that has thus far paid scant attention to women's volunteer work.

To help communities with Centennial projects, the Montana Historical Society and the Molders and Shapers Collective have published *Molders and Shapers: Montana Women as Community Builders—An Oral History Sampler and Guide*.

The booklet gives practical suggestions for local oral history projects that examine women's roles in community work. It also contains selections from interviews with Montana women, a summary of interview techniques, sample forms, interview outlines and transcripts, and a bibliography. The 45-page booklet is illustrated with vintage photographs.

Copies are available for \$6.50, plus \$1.00 postage, from the Oral History Office, Montana Historical Society, 225 N. Roberts, Helena, MT 59620.

CENTENNIAL COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY-JUNE 1988

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Feb. 25-26	Feb. 5
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From Wilderness to Statehood

by Richard B. Roeder

ON NOVEMBER 8, 1889, President Harrison signed a proclamation making Montana the 41st state of the Union. Its entry followed upon a well-established political process of bridging the gap from wilderness to statehood, a process experienced by all other trans-Mississippi states except Texas and California.

The territorial system of government emerged from the Revolution against Britain and was a unique American contribution to government. As Congress acquired authority over lands between the Appalachian Mountains and the Mississippi, it had to devise a system of governing them. Rather than seeking to hold them under a subordinate colonial status as Britain had done, Congress came up with the innovation of establishing new, temporary governments with eventual admission to statehood on an equal basis with the original states. A system of nurturing communities from central control to eventual home rule was necessary. In 1787, while the Constitutional Convention labored in Philadelphia to establish a new federal government, Congress in New York embodied its thinking in the Northwest Ordinance of July 13, 1787. This was the country's first plan of defining new territories governed initially by a large degree of congressional control and political tutelage followed by an evolution of local representation culminating in statehood.

By the time Montana requested establishment as a territory, the form of government had become largely standardized. Under the Organic Act of the Territory of Montana, approved May 26, 1864, the basic government structure was a familiar one, with a governor, bicameral legislature, and an independent judiciary. The basic difference between it and government under statehood was the limited power of election by local citizens. The President appointed the territorial governor, secretary, judges, attorney, and marshal to four-year terms. Citizens voted only for members of the House and Council, as the upper house was called, and for a single territorial delegate who sat in the U.S. House of Representatives as a nonvoting member.

Historically, residents of territories grumbled about this limited form of self-government, and Montanans were no exception. The most common complaint was against appointment of officials from Washington by administrations more interested in rewarding the party faithful than providing leadership attuned to a territory's needs and political proclivities. In the early years of Montana Territory, this "carpetbag rule," as local residents called it, was particularly galling since political emotions were exacerbated by a fratricidal Civil War and by divided opinions about policies to be imposed on a conquered South.

Montana tended to be Democratic while national

administrations were Republican. This meant that early appointees, such as governors Sidney Edgerton and James M. Ashley, were "Radical" Republicans, that is, politicians who favored some degree of harsh southern policy and who announced their determination to mold Montana to their views. While sympathy for the Confederacy in Montana is at times overplayed by early accounts, there was a strong border state element hostile to Radical Republicanism. Thus, Washington appointees and locally elected officials were sometimes at loggerheads. For example, in 1867, in a most extraordinary episode, territorial Republicans suc-

ceeded in getting Congress to annul the acts of two sessions of the Democrat-controlled legislature. In a later episode, Ashley and the legislature reached a complete standstill over gubernatorial appointment as opposed to popular election of a territorial treasurer, auditor, and superintendent of public instruction.

The situation changed in 1870 when President Grant appointed as Montana's governor one of the most remarkable figures in the history of territorial government. Benjamin F. Potts served three terms, more than any other territorial governor in the trans-Mississippi West. Potts was well suited to the delicate posi-

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Montana Historical Society



Benjamin Potts, 4th Governor, Montana Territory, 1870-1883

From Red Lodge to the Bitterroot, Centennial Fever is Catching

November 8, 1988, is Montana's 99th birthday and the official opening of the Centennial year, a time to rearticulate our shared history, heritage, and hopes. Admission to statehood is a significant event. Its 100th anniversary should be remembered, and the celebration should leave a lasting legacy.

While statewide events are important and can be coordinated by the Centennial Office, the real celebrations occur at the local level. Communities across the state are planning events and projects from now through 1989, and their enthusiasm is impressive.

The Bitterroot Centennial Organization, based in Hamilton, has over 200 members. They are working with the St. Mary's Mission Preservation Trust in nearby Stevensville on plans for the official opening of the Centennial year. On November 12-13, Stevensville will be the site of a variety of festivities, including historic tours and a ban-

The Centennial is the time to use your most important resources to do the best thing for your community.

quet. The Bitterroot group also plans to produce a calendar of events in the area. One of its subcommittees is working with local schools on plans for an All-Valley Centennial School Day.

A Centennial parade in Great Falls, on July 22, 1989, is among many events planned by the Cascade County '89ers.

As the *Eighty-Niner* went to press, the Centennial Commission had sanctioned two new affiliates. The Virginia City Chamber of Commerce Centennial Committee is coordinating plans for horseback poker runs, community day, a gold hunt, county cattle drive, and other events. It hopes to "move the capital back to Virginia City as a promotional event, as we really don't want to keep it." Smart folks in Virginia City!

Red Lodge, one of the most enthusiastic and or-

ganized communities in Montana, has created an affiliate, the Beartooth '89ers, to guide a variety of activities in Carbon County through 1989. A rodeo, ski and winter carnival events, a mountain man rendezvous, sports activities, a Smith Mine disaster memorial, and a can-can revival are among the proposals. Organizers of the Red Lodge Festival of Nations, an annual celebration of the community's ethnic diversity, have also sought sanctioning. A number of individuals and groups in Red Lodge are seeking sanctioning on a variety of projects.

"The enthusiasm that's moving throughout the city, county, and state for the Centennial is overwhelming," Beartooth '89ers chairman, Stan Lynde, told the *Beartooth Times*.

Other officially sanctioned affiliates—the Yel-

lowstone Eighty-Niners in Yellowstone County, the Bozeman Centennial Committee, and the Pondera County Centennial Committee—are inspiring a variety of activities in their communities.

"Plan early and plan well" is good advice to any group seeking to organize a successful Centennial celebration. "Early" is running out—the countdown to 1989 is under way. The Centennial is the time to use your most important resources to do the best thing for your community.

For information on how to become an affiliate, write or call the Centennial Office. PO Box 1989, Capitol Station, Helena, MT 59620.

CORRECTION

The November 1987 issue of the *Eighty-Niner* incorrectly described the Yellowstone Eighty-Niners as a Billings affiliate. The affiliate is based in Billings, but it is a broad-based group for all of Yellowstone County.

Wilderness to Statehood, cont.

tion he assumed. Physically imposing at six feet, 240 pounds, he had been a pre-war Democrat in his native Ohio; when war came he switched to the Republican Party and helped raise a volunteer military unit. Impressive battle records brought him a steady rise in rank. After the war he returned to Ohio, continued his profession of law, and served as a state senator.

As territorial governor of Montana, Potts pursued conservative budgetary policies while working with local entrepreneurs such as Democratic leader Samuel Hauser to foster economic development. Potts' ability to work with bipartisan coalitions at times angered the territory's more earnest Republicans, but they could not impugn his party loyalty or war record.

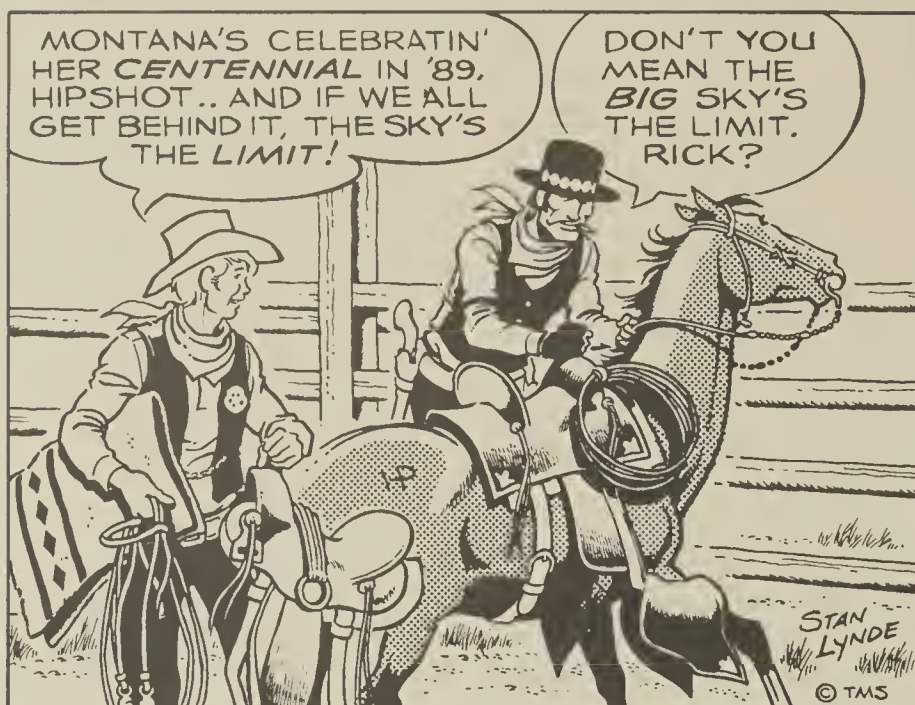
The chain of Republican appointments was broken in 1885 when President Cleveland honored a promise of home rule by appointing Hauser as the seventh and first resident governor. Montana's ninth and last territorial governor, Dillon businessman Benjamin F. White, was also a local resident. Hauser and White each served less than a year, terms too brief to prove that

residents made better officials than outsiders.

Potts remains the most significant territorial governor. He continued to reside in Montana and in 1885, Helena elected him to the territorial House. He did not live to see his labors come to fruition. He died on June 7, 1887, at the age of 51, two years before Montana became a state. □

RICK O'SHAY

HND HIPSHOT by STAN LYNDE



Rick O'Shay and Hipshot are back! Stan Lynde's famous cartoon characters will appear all year long in a monthly series promoting the Montana Centennial. The cartoons are available for reproduction in Montana newspapers, free of charge. Call 444-1989 for information.

CALENDAR

1988 Centennial Events

1988—Rick O'Shay and Hipshot. Stan Lynde's cartoon characters appear in Montana's newspapers.

1988 (and 1989)—The Nature Conservancy nature preserve project.

March 25-April 25—Ghost Town Ballet Tour, a statewide tour; second tour in 1989. Montana Ballet Company, PO Box 6021, Bozeman, MT 59717.

All summer—Capitol Floral Display, north lawn of State Capitol, Helena. State Dept. of Fish, Wildlife and Parks.

September—Opening of the renovated History of

Montana exhibit, Montana Historical Society, Helena.

Fall —Publication of *The Last Best Place*, an anthology of Montana literature from Native American oral tradition to contemporary authors. Montana Historical Society Press.

Nov. 8—Montana's 99th Birthday

Nov. 12-13—Centennial Year Opening Ceremonies, St. Mary's Mission, Stevensville.

December--Capitol Christmas Tree, decorations by Legislative Spouses.

Give an inch!

Personalized deeds signifying an interest in "The Last of What is Best in America" are now available. Make a symbolic investment in the Headwaters, Homestead or Bannack Acre. Each deed "officially" entitles the holder to the "general enjoyment of the riches of the Treasure State." Great gifts for family and friends, the deeds at \$10 each are a perfect way to help Montana prepare for her 100th birthday as a state in 1989.

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NEWS & VIEWS
IN PREPARATION FOR MONTANA'S
STATEHOOD CENTENNIAL

How—and Why—to Create a Local Centennial Affiliate

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HAS YOUR COMMUNITY FORMED an "official affiliate" of the Montana Statehood Centennial Commission?

If not, *now* is the time to do so.

A local planning group, sanctioned by the Commission as an official affiliate, is your community's best guarantee for making the most of 1989's special opportunities. Affiliation ensures that all of your community's Centennial events are included in the statewide and national promotion program conducted by the state.

A variety of events are already listed on the Centennial Calendar—many of them in communities which do not yet have formally sanctioned affiliates (see map on page 7). Each of these activities gives the host community an opportunity to do more and to profit more, both literally and figuratively. For example, Centennial affiliates can plan projects that complement each other, giving the community a stronger attraction and giving tourists and visitors reason to stay in the area longer than otherwise.

Most important, a coordinated effort is your community's best way to plan a meaningful and enriching celebration of history, heritage, and hopes for the future.

Why Create an Official Affiliate?

Your community benefits by having a sanctioned affiliate. Briefly, an affiliate:

- ☐ Serves as the primary contact between the Centennial Commission and Office and a variety of local groups.
- ☐ Gives your community events statewide and national publicity by including them on the official Centennial calendar of events.
- ☐ Coordinates your community's plans with those of neighboring communities.
- ☐ Can use the official Montana Centennial logo on its literature and in conjunction with its sanctioned events and projects.
- ☐ Can make use of various fundraising opportunities.

How to Create an Effective Centennial Affiliate

Organize a meeting of your community's key business, civic, and cultural leaders. For broad-based participation,

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FROM THE CHAIRMAN

After two months as Lieutenant Governor and Chairman of the Centennial Commission, I am awed at the magnitude and complexity of organizing the celebration of our statehood anniversary. Already many Montanans have devoted a great deal of time, talent, and energy to the Centennial; many more will participate in the months to come.

My predecessor, George Turman, gave this at times unwieldy process immediate leadership when he took on the Centennial in 1985. The Centennial Commissioners--eight busy Montanans (see page 3)--have for the past two years interrupted their routines to come to Helena to review policies, products, and plans for the 1989 celebration. Their contributions to public service will continue to be invaluable.

While the Centennial Office staff has changed over the past few years, it has been strengthened by a diversity of talents. I compliment past staff for a job well done, and I will continue to give the present staff my full support. I also would like to welcome my newly appointed executive assistant, Bill Yeager.

First thoughts for an exceptional birthday party were generated in over 140 communities by Montanans who have become known as "'89ers"—several thousand people who submitted ideas for the celebration, people who continue to volunteer time and ideas as we approach 1989. This network will remain vital as our list of community affiliates grows.

The calendar of official events for the next 21 months is striking for the diversity of its content and for its geographical coverage. People will celebrate in all sorts of ways, from Libby to Miles City and from Red Lodge to Conrad. Family, friends, and visitors will lack nothing in terms of excitement during the Centennial celebration. Still, the task ahead is monumental. Working together, we will produce a Centennial to be remembered for the next 100 years.


Lt. Governor Gordon McOmber
Chairman, Centennial Commission

Affiliation, continued

be sure to include representatives of local government, chambers of commerce, retailers, hotel-motel associations, and area museums, historical societies, and schools. Use the first meeting to talk broadly about your mission--how Montana's Centennial best relates to you, and how you as a group can mobilize your most important resources to do the best thing for your community. Ask yourselves which other groups should be involved in the planning. Do your best to encourage participation by individuals with various backgrounds and interests.

Ask for help from the Centennial Office. We can put you in touch with event sponsors and with official affiliates who already have organized. We

can send speakers to your community to talk about plans for 1989.

To become an official affiliate, apply for sanctioning by the Centennial Commission. Applications are available from the Centennial Office, PO Box 1989, Capitol Station, Helena 59620 (444-1989).

Cascade County '89ers to Hold Town Meeting

The Cascade County '89ers, an official Centennial affiliate, will hold its second town meeting at the Black Eagle Community Center on March 24. The meeting will have an ethnic theme.

For details, call the Great Falls Area Chamber of Commerce.

Commission Subcommittee to Review Licensing Rules

At its January meeting, the Montana Centennial Commission voted to re-examine rules governing the licensing of products and projects commemorating the 1989 statehood Centennial. Then-Lt. Governor George Turman, the Commission's chairman, appointed a subcommittee to review the rules issue. Commissioners Frank Haswell, Wilbur Werner, and James Haughey will serve on the subcommittee.

The Centennial Office had earlier held a hearing on a proposal to clarify its interpretation of the licensing regu-

lations created by the 1985 legislature. The proposed change would set maximum amounts of additional compensation for licenses on exclusive products.

Testimony at the hearing challenged the rule change as beyond the scope of the legislation creating the Centennial Office. Other vendors submitted written testimony in support of the rule change.

The subcommittee will examine the licensing issues and research several options. It will then report to the full commission.

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The bimonthly *Eighty-Niner* presents news and views in celebration of the 100th anniversary of Montana's statehood in 1989. For information, call 444-1989.

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Boy Scouts Begin Bumper Sticker Sales

Boy Scouts across Montana have joined the Centennial Commission in promoting the state's 100th birthday. The Scouts are conducting a door-to-door sale of official Centennial bumper stickers to spread the news about this great event and to raise funds for their annual State Camporee.

From now through April, participating Boy Scout and Cub Scout units will offer bumper stickers with "Montana"



and the Centennial logo in gold, blue, and copper on white vinyl. The inks resist fading, and the sticker has a removable adhesive.

You are encouraged to promote the Centennial and support the Boy Scouts by buying a bumper sticker--at \$2 each--for your car or truck, or as a gift for family or friends.

For more information, write the Montana Council, Boy Scouts of America, PO Box 3226, Great Falls 59403.

Bannack Acre Celebrates Early Roots of Statehood

On May 26, 1864, Montana became a territory separate from the vast Idaho Territory, which included what is now Montana, Idaho, and most of Wyoming. In December, the first territorial legislature met at Bannack, a thriving gold mining town on Grasshopper Creek.

The pioneers' early desire for self-government--a sentiment that ultimately culminated in statehood in 1889--is now celebrated in the Bannack Acre, the third in a series of specially designated Centennial Acres. The acre is in Bannack State Park, which is operated as an historic resource by the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks.

The Centennial Acre lies north of the Meade Hotel and the courthouse. Beyond it is the site of the gallows where vigilantes hanged Henry Plummer--"sheriff by day, road agent by night"--and several associates in 1864. Also nearby is a camp used by the Nez Perce Indians after the Battle of the Big Hole in 1877.

Symbolic, personalized deeds to a square inch of the Bannack Acre may be purchased for \$10 from the Centennial Office. Deeds to the Headwaters and Homestead acres also are available. For information, call or write the Centennial Office, PO Box 1989, Capitol Station, Helena 59620 (444-1989).

Montana Historical Society



Bannack, Montana's first territorial capital

Centennial Commissioners Are Dedicated to Service

The 1985 legislature created the Montana Statehood Centennial Commission and Centennial Office to develop policies and coordinate activities for the 1989 celebration. Governor Ted Schwinden named eight citizens to the Commission; the ninth member, Lt. Governor Gordon McOmber, serves as chairman.

The commissioners have already devoted two years to giving the Centennial style, substance, and excitement, and they will continue their task in the coming months. Although their individual community service is too extensive to describe here, a brief reintroduction to these dedicated Montanans is in order.

Patricia DeVries is the mayor of Polson. She is a certified public accountant and member of the Polson Library Board, Polson Chamber of Commerce, and the Montana Lottery Commission.

Nancy Dumont is Special Programs Coordinator for the Wolf Point School District. She is affiliated with the Fort Peck and Assiniboine tribes and has extensive professional experience in education, community, and Native American organizations.

Marilyn Frazier is Director of Human Relations for the Heritage Inn in Great Falls and an active member of a variety of community organizations.

Frank Haswell of Helena recently retired as Chief Justice of the Montana Supreme Court.

James Haughey is a Billings attorney, former legislator, and a 1981 recipient of a Governor's Award for the Arts.

David Johns, Butte, is a professional engineer. He retired last year as Manager of Division Operations and Budget for the Montana Power Company.

Bob Kelly is a private consultant in Missoula and a former public affairs manager for Champion International.

Wilbur Werner, Cut Bank, is a former county and city attorney. He is a member of the Montana Historical Society Board of Trustees.

Century Citizens: Treasures of the Treasure State

THEIR LIVES SPAN A century--the same hundred years of Montana's statehood. When many of them were born, in the late 1880s, silver mining was booming, and the Northern Pacific Railroad had reached Garrison Junction in western Montana, linking Minneapolis with the West Coast across the northern tier states. Census records show that the state's population nearly quadrupled in the decade between 1880 and 1890, from 39,159 to 132,159 people.

As children, they saw the shrinking of the vast lands of the Crow, Blackfeet, and other native peoples into small reservations with boundaries set not by tradition, but by the political exigencies of Washington, D.C. Their elders convened at a constitutional convention in 1884, and the Clark-Daly copper king feud would emerge at the end of the decade.

Today, at the other end of their lives, Montana's Century Citizens--men and women who will be 100 years or older by 1989--have

seen the advent of automobiles, aircraft, television, and the bomb, and significant advances in medicine and civil rights.

Thus far, 295 people have become Montana Century Citizens in a special Centennial program sponsored by the Centennial Office and Mountain Bell Foundation of Montana.

Century Citizens are nominated by family or friends. Anyone who will be 100 years old or older in 1989 and who has lived most of his or her life in Montana is eligible. The centenarians receive a complimentary deed to a Centennial Acre, a congratulatory letter from Governor Ted Schwinden, and a place on the Century Citizen Honor Roll. Mountain Bell makes a presentation to each honoree.

Robert Summers Yellowtail, Sr., of Lodge Grass, exemplifies the dynamic spirit of these Century Citizens. Yellowtail is the oldest living member of the Crow Tribe. Born on August 4, 1887, he made public and tribal service a lifelong commitment. He was the first Indian ap-

pointed Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs. He served as BIA Superintendent on the Crow Reservation and chairman of the tribal council.

In February, at age 100, Yellowtail received a Century Citizen Award from Mountain Bell at a presentation in Lodge Grass. Family, friends, tribal and state government dignitaries, and members of the Lodge Grass and Hardin communities attended the ceremony.

Shawn Shows Guns, student at Lodge Grass High School, plans to meet with Yellowtail in the near future to gather reminiscences and family history. His interview will be one of many student interviews with Century Citizens around the state. The students' work will be collected and published next year by the State Office of Public Instruction.

Nominations for Century Citizens will be sought until January 1, 1989. For information, write or call the Centennial Office, PO Box 1989, Capitol Station, Helena 59620 (444-1989). □



Royal Crown Joins the Centennial--Stores throughout Montana are now selling collector cans of RC Cola and Diet Rite to commemorate the Centennial. A portion of the proceeds from the soft drink sales will help fund the 1989 celebration.

This newsletter was produced with the assistance of Montana's ten Apple Computer dealers.

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Entertainers Bring the Arts to the Centennial

The Centennial Commission has sanctioned a variety of entertainers and performance groups who are available for independent bookings during the Centennial celebration. Affiliates, schools, and other groups are encouraged to contact these entertainers for participation in local events, including fundraisers. Some performers have already planned tours. Please contact the sponsor for details.

Charlie Russell's Yarns: Raphael Cristy brings the Russell persona and yarns back to life in a monologue of direct quotes and slides of the artist's work. Raphael Cristy, PO Box 977, Helena 59601, 442-2996.

Rob Quist: Songwriter/musician formerly with the Mission Mountain Wood Band and the Montana Band. Rob Quist, PO Box 153, Elizabeth, CO 80107.

Lewis and Clark Adventures with Marionettes: Blanche Harding's lively

marionettes recapture the times and trails of Lewis and Clark. Lewis and Clark Adventures with Marionettes, 4705 23rd Ave., Missoula 59803.

Montana Bandmasters Association: Montana's Centennial Band, high school musicians from across the state. Allan Eve, 1815 Fort St., Miles City 59911, 232-5359.

The Montana Times: An original script for a stage production of a late 19th century newspaper. Designed for community theatres. Norman A. Bert, PO Box 50781, Billings 59105, 259-3342.

Pamelia: An original three-act opera based on the letters of Montana pioneers, James and Pamela Fergus. Music by Eric Funk. P.S., A Partnership, 1104 South 5th, Bozeman 59715, 586-2196.

Ghost Town Ballet: Modern ballet based on actual histories of ghost towns, choreographed to music composed over a century ago. Tour-

ing March 25-April 25, 1988, and spring 1989. Montana Ballet Company, PO Box 6021, Bozeman 59717, 587-7192.

Centennial Musical Folk Opera: A statewide tour of a musical folk opera celebrating the Centennial. Opera Workshop of Western Montana, PO Box 5692, Missoula 59806, 542-2767.

Red Lodge Grizzly Peak-A-Boos: Can-can entertainment in the Wild West tradition. Red Lodge Peak-A-Boos, PO Box 934, Red Lodge 59068, Valerie Peters, 446-3141.

Brother Van Comes to Goosehill: A puppet show production with authentic music, dialogue, advertising, humor, and news from 1889. Rev. Tom Drake, 2210 Dodge Ave., Helena 59601, 442-6851.

Blanche Judge Highsteppers and Serenaders: Dance and music by seniors. One-hour show or specific routines. Blanche Judge, 417 Dearborn, Helena 59601, 442-4822. □

From Bike Rides to Bumper Stickers: New Centennial Licenses

Licenses have been signed for the following official Centennial products and projects:

Double Cabin Trading Company, Victor: Copper medallion with state seal and Centennial logo.

William Ukrainetz, Seeley Lake: Commemorative liquor decanter.

Craig Siphers, Stevensville: Lapel pins, stick pins, tie tacks in bronze, pewter, gold plate, silver, gold.

Susan Nardinger, Great Falls: *Spirit Horse of the Rockies*, a book about Montana's Kentucky Derby winner.

Helena YWCA: Banquet--A Salute to Women, May 1989.

Mary Hurley, Stevensville: Centennial sampler quilt, descriptive text from 56 counties.

Montana Folklife Project, Helena: *Range Rhymes and Bunkhouse Ballads*, an anthology of cowboy poetry from the 1870s to the present.

West Yellowstone Chamber of Commerce: Flyfishing Expo, summer 1989.

Montana Community Foundation, Helena: Statewide foundation for community development.

Montana Council of Boy Scouts of America, Great Falls: Centennial bumper sticker sale to raise funds for 1988 Camporee.

Blanche Judge Highsteppers and Serenaders, Helena: Dance and musical entertainment by seniors.

Dawson County Tree Branches, Glendive: *Our Times, Our Lives*, Dawson County family history book.

Latigo Corporation, Luther: Cattle Drive, begins September 4, 1989.



Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation: National meeting, August 3-6, 1989, Bozeman.

Bucking Horse Board of Governors: Annual Miles City Bucking Horse Sale,

May 12-15, 1989.

Veterans Administration Medical Center and Miles City Chamber of Commerce: Veterans Ball and Veterans Art Exhibit, November 1988.

Red Lodge Grizzly Peak-A-Boos: Can-Can Revival, July 1-9, 1989, Red Lodge; Centennial garter.

Red Lodge '89ers: Centennial Rendezvous, July 1-9, 1989.

Red Lodge Festival of Nations: August 5-13, 1989.

Huntley Project Lions Club: Homesteader Days, July 15-16, 1989.

Bozeman Area Chamber of Commerce: Airshow, June 24, 1989.

Memorial Grove Committee, Red Lodge: Grove honoring miners killed in 1943 Smith Mine disaster.

Centennial Ride Across Montana: Bicycle ride from Yaak to Alzada, July 23-August 5, 1989.

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Montana: Governor's Cup Races, June 3, 1989.

Jerry Fahrenthold, Red Lodge: Centennial logo potholder.

Beartooth '89ers, Red Lodge: Official Centennial affiliate. □

Government Before Statehood: Montana's Territorial Delegates

by Richard B. Roeder

During Montana's quarter-century as a territory, six men represented us in the nation's capital—far fewer than represented neighboring territories in that same period. The territorial delegate was the only official elected by voters in the territory as a whole. Consequently, delegate election contests reveal much about territorial politics. The dominance of the Democrats is demonstrated by the fact that only two Republicans gained election. William H. Clagett served one term; Thomas H. Carter, Montana's last delegate, served an abbreviated term during the transition to statehood.

As our sole official representative in Washington, the delegate was a vital political lifeline between the capital and those living in a remote territory. The delegate's effectiveness had a direct bearing on the welfare of people at home. He was the principal source of information about what went on in Washington, and citizens depended on him to secure political favors.

Montana's first three delegates led itinerant lives, a characteristic that reflected the mobility of the territory's early population. Representing Montana was largely an incident in lives lived elsewhere. By contrast, the careers of the last three delegates reflect a lifetime

commitment to Montana.

Montana's first territorial delegate was Samuel McLean, a Pennsylvania native who came to Montana from Colorado with a group of early prospectors in the Bannack area. In 1865, he easily defeated Wilbur Sanders when the latter branded Democrats as secessionists. In his one term, McLean unsuccessfully opposed congressional repeal of the laws of the second and third territorial legislatures. In the process, he said that if Congress made Montanans unhappy enough, they would secede to Canada—not a very nice threat when acts of secession had just brought the nation through the bloodiest war in its history. After a single term, McLean did not seek renomination. He pursued his mining interests and in 1870 moved to Virginia, where he spent the rest of his life. His death in 1877 went largely unnoticed in the territory he once represented.

James V. Cavanaugh, born in Massachusetts, was a lawyer who practiced in Iowa, Minnesota, and Colorado before coming to Montana in 1865. He was Minnesota's first representative in Congress when it was admitted to the Union in 1858. A favorite of Montana's Irish and an able stump speaker, Cavanaugh served two terms in Washington. His failure to gain renomination in 1871 split the Democratic Party and resulted

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Martin Maginnis

in the election of Republican William Clagett. After his defeat, Cavanaugh went east to practice law in New York City.

William Clagett is far more important to the history of Idaho than Montana. Born in Maryland, he grew up in Iowa, where he became a lawyer. He practiced law and was active in Nevada politics before he came to Montana in 1866. After one term as Montana's delegate, he moved to Colorado, then South Dakota, Oregon, and finally northern Idaho. He was president of Idaho's 1889 Constitutional Convention. During his Montana term, he was instrumental in securing passage of the law creating Yellowstone National Park.

Montana's premier delegate, both in length of service and accomplishments, was Martin Maginnis. Voters elected him six times—more than any other delegate elected in the eleven territories of the trans-Mississippi West. In his first election,

TERRITORIAL DELEGATES

Samuel McLean (D)
1865-67
James Cavanaugh (D)
1867-71
William H. Clagett (R)
1871-73
Martin Maginnis (D)
1873-85
Joseph K. Toole (D)
1885-89
Thomas H. Carter (R)
1889

he ousted incumbent William Clagett and subsequently defeated such well-known figures as Wilbur Sanders and Cornelius Hedges, the father of education in Montana.

Maginnis was born in New York and raised in Minnesota. His career as a newspaperman was interrupted by the Civil War. After a long service, in which he participated in many battles, was twice wounded, and rose from private to major, he returned to Minnesota. In 1866, he organized his own wagon train for the trek to Montana. In Helena he resumed newspaper work and founded the *Rocky Mountain Gazette*, which became the *Helena Independent*, the leading Democratic paper in the territory.

Maginnis was very adept at fetching from Washington for his constituents. He secured reductions in Indian reservations, thus opening enormous areas of land to white settlement. He fa-

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Centennial Events and Affiliates on the Map

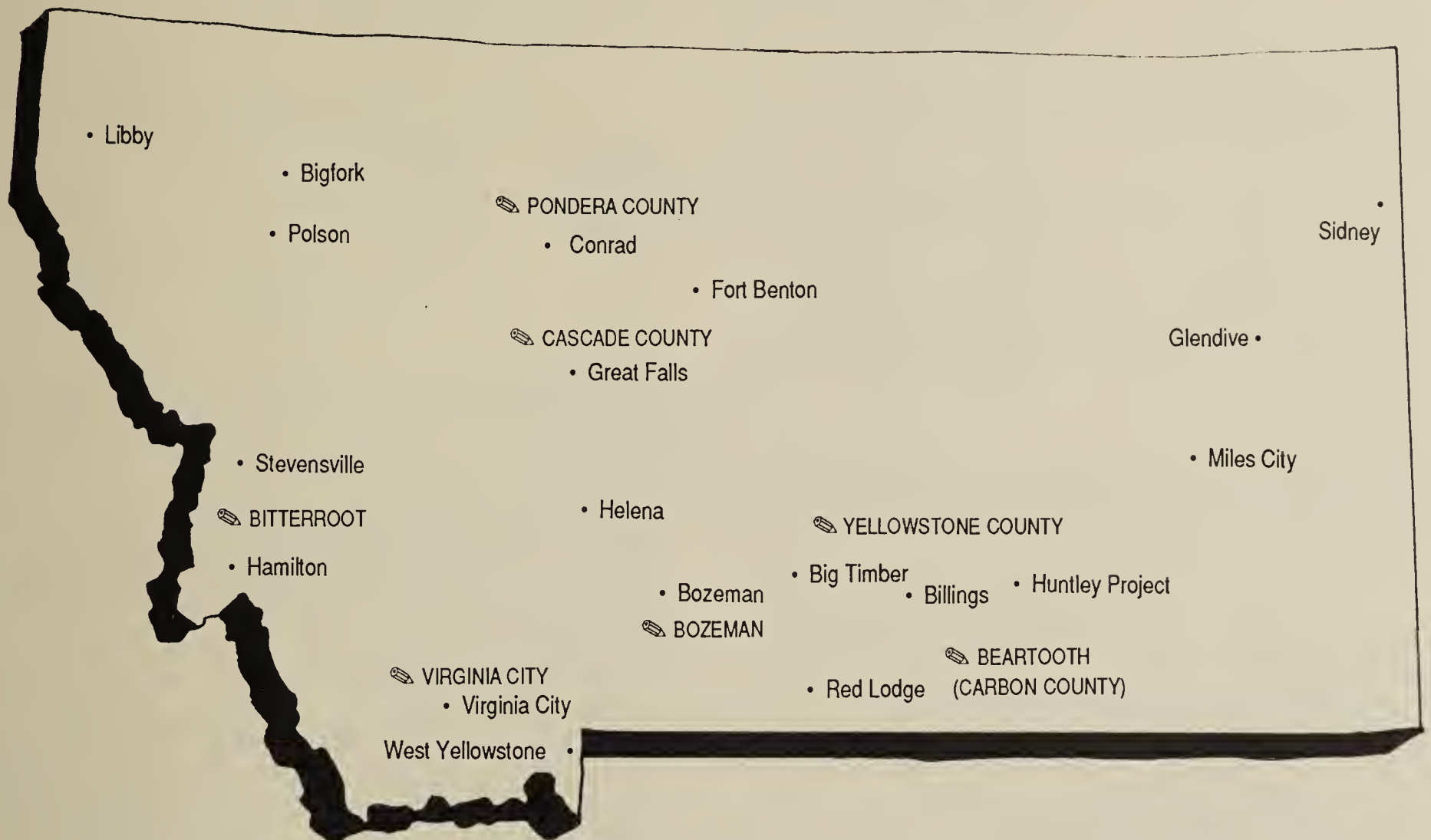
This map shows the geography of the 1989 Centennial thus far--the locations of sanctioned events, and communities or counties with official affiliates.* Projects that cover more than one location and entertainers available for statewide tours (see page 5) are not shown.

You can't find your community on this map? Get involved! Help us fill this map by November 1988.

Map Symbols

- Site of Centennial events
- ☞ Official community affiliate (call the Centennial Office for contact person)

*Based on licenses signed as of February 12, 1988.



Territorial Delegates, continued

cilitated railroad construction throughout the West with a law granting right-of-way over public lands. He helped forestall reductions in the size of the Army and helped establish seven military forts in Montana. He secured construction of an assay office in Helena and land grants for a capitol and university. He also reflected the attitude of his constituents by repeatedly attacking the appointment of nonresidents to territorial offices.

Maginnis's success was aided by the fact that he was a leader among western delegates in Washington and was a public speaker of national reputation, especially at events involving veterans' affairs.

Maginnis did not seek re-election in 1884. After statehood, he ran for Congress in the first state election, but lost to Thomas Carter. He was twice appointed to the U.S. Senate but not seated. In the 1890s he was a key figure

in the state's battle with the Northern Pacific over the railroad's claim to mineral lands. Despite his achievements, he is not generally remembered. The town of Martinsdale is named after him.

Joseph Toole replaced Maginnis in 1884 and, during his second term, secured statehood. Toole chose not to run for a third term. In 1888, Republican Thomas Carter defeated William A. Clark in a very important contest that some historians see as the

source of the famous feud between copper titans Clark and Marcus Daly. Carter served a short term as a lame duck delegate but was then elected as Montana's first congressman, thereby continuing a political career which was one of the most important in the state's history. □

This series on statehood history is a regular feature of the Eighty-Niner. Montana newspapers may reprint the series as long as they give the author and Centennial Office credit.

1988 CENTENNIAL EVENTS

1988—*Rick O'Shay and Hipshot*. Stan Lynde's characters appear in Montana's newspapers.

1988 (and 1989)—*The Nature Conservancy* nature preserve project.

February-April—Centennial bumper sticker sales, statewide fundraiser. Montana Council of Boy Scouts, PO Box 3226, Great Falls 59403.

March 25-April 25—*Ghost Town Ballet Tour*, a statewide tour; second tour in 1989. Montana Ballet Company, PO Box 6021, Bozeman, MT 59717.

All summer—*Capitol Floral Display*, north lawn of State Capitol, Helena. State Dept. of Fish, Wildlife and Parks.

September—Opening of the renovated History of Montana exhibit, Montana Historical Society, Helena.

Fall —Publication of *The Last Best Place*, an anthology of Montana literature from Native American oral tradition to contemporary authors. Montana Historical Society Press, 225 N. Roberts, Helena, MT 59620.

November—*Veterans Art Exhibit*, Miles City

Nov. 11—*Veterans Day Centennial Ball*, Miles City

Nov. 8—*Admission Day Montana's 99th Birthday*

Nov. 12-13—*Centennial Year Opening Ceremonies*, St. Mary's Mission, Stevensville.

December—*Capitol Christmas Tree*, handmade decorations by Legislative Spouses.

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Where Statehood Began: Montana's Centennial Sites

*Project Will Honor Properties
of 1864-1889*

by Marcella Sherfy
State Historic Preservation Officer

MONTANA'S MOST SIGNIFICANT, most important historic place is the land. Those of us who live here find the landscape itself to be our home—as tangible and as remembered as any kitchen or school room. But on the landscape, our ancestors did build trails, fences, homes, business blocks, mines, and public buildings. They invested in them their labor and their dreams. They built as well as they could with the materials and time available. What they created reflects a blend of tested American styles and western adaptations.

Knowing, caring for, and researching buildings and places from our whole past—prehistory as well as history—is valuable to our collective vigor. For the Centennial, it is especially important to celebrate those structures and sites created as statehood began, and to honor the people who have preserved them.

The State Historic Preservation Office, Montana Historical Society, is making a special inventory of homes, farms, ranches, and buildings built before 1889. Property owners are invited to submit information and historic or current photographs of any building built between 1864 and 1889, or any site developed and used during that time. These sites will be considered for a special list of "Centennial Sites," assembled on the basis of age alone.

During next year's legislative session, the Preservation Office will publish a summary of information about these surviving sites and a listing of all submissions received. A "Centennial Sites Day" will combine current historic preservation ceremonies with recognition of these sites and their owners.

The Centennial Office, which is joining the Historical Society in this venture, will coordinate letters from the Governor, congratulating owners of Centennial Sites for their stewardship and interest.

Nominations must be made on a Centennial Sites inventory form now available from the Preservation Office or the Centennial Office. Although the form is patterned after information needed for the National Register of Historic Places, this process will not in itself produce nominations

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The N-Bar Ranch near Grassrange at the turn of the century. The ranch was founded during the open range era and has survived well into the 20th century, spanning Montana's hundred years as a state.

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MONTANA

Buy Official Products--And Keep an Eye Out for "Phonies"

As *Eighty-Niner* readers know, Montana is the only Northwest Centennial state which uses *absolutely no public tax dollars* for its Centennial celebration. Instead, the Montana Centennial is paying its own way by selling optional Centennial license plates and by collecting royalties on the sale of commemorative products licensed to use our logo.

This means that it is particularly important for Montanans to know that *only* products with an official Centennial logo—on the product or on its packaging—are helping to pay for the state's birthday party.

Products that do not use one of the official Centennial logos,* but which call themselves "Centennial" commemoratives are not contributing financially to the celebration. They may well be fine products, but they are cashing in, or hoping to, on the state's pride and spirit without contributing to the many special events planned for 1989.

As 1989 approaches, we expect to see products on the market that do not bear the Centennial logo but which nevertheless purport to be "official Centennial products." For obvious reasons, we urge you to support the official products and steer clear of the "phonies."

If you see "phonies" like this on the market, we'd like to know. We can't stop unlicensed vendors from using the word "centennial," but we can stop them from calling their products "official" when in fact they are not.

It's important that Montana consumers not be misled. Look for a Centennial logo to be sure the product you are buying is *really* helping us celebrate our 100th anniversary of statehood.

**The official Centennial logos appear at the top of this column and on the back page of this newsletter.*

Tom Daubert

TOM DAUBERT
CENTENNIAL DIRECTOR

Centennial Sites, continued

for the National Register. Instead, it will offer basic information enabling the Preservation Office and the applicants to pursue formal nomination later if they wish.

The Centennial Sites inventory will provide important information about properties from the territorial period. A community with several listed properties may, for example, organize a historic home tour or restoration project as part of its local Centennial celebration. Most important, the Centennial Sites program will tell us where the state of Montana began and what those places

look like a century later.

If you have a candidate for the program, please write or call for an inventory form. The deadline for submissions is October 1, 1988. Contact the State Historic Preservation Office, Montana Historical Society, 225 N. Roberts, Helena 59620 (444-7715). Forms are also available from the Centennial Office, PO Box 1989, Capitol Station, Helena 59620 (444-1989).

Community affiliates should look for the inventory forms in the information packets they receive on occasion from the Centennial Office. □

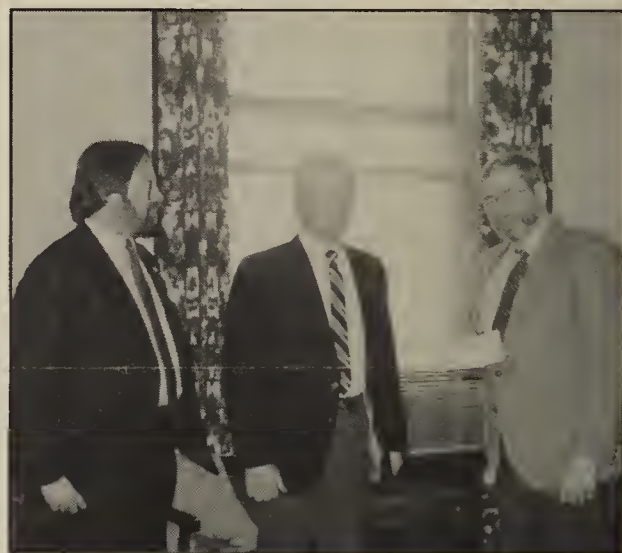
AT&T Staff Supports the Centennial

Montana employees of AT&T have made the Centennial a favored project. For the third year in a row, they have donated \$1,000 to the Centennial Office, to be used for the 1989 celebration.

Each year, AT&T sets aside a special fund for its employees to use as they wish. In 1985, the employees elected to donate \$5,000 to the Centennial, presented in five annual payments from 1985 to 1989.

In late February, AT&T's Assistant Vice President for External Affairs, Robert Little, presented a check to Lt. Governor Gordon McOmber, Chairman of the Centennial Commission.

"We are delighted to have the support of AT&T employees," McOmber said.



Robert Little (center) presents the AT&T donation to Lt. Governor Gordon McOmber (right) and Tom Daubert, Centennial Director.

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The bimonthly *Eighty-Niner* presents news and views in celebration of the 100th anniversary of Montana's statehood in 1889. For information, call 444-1989.

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Bob Armagost

Governor's Car Blooms a Bumper Sticker

In the photograph above, Helena-area Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts help Governor Ted Schwinden apply an official Centennial bumper sticker to his car. The occasion launched door-to-

door sales of the bumper sticker, a statewide project to promote the Centennial and raise funds for the Scouts' state camporee. The three-color sticker sells for \$2.

Goals for 1989: Renewed Pride and Prosperity

The Montana Statehood Centennial Commission has set its goals for the 1989 celebration. They are to:

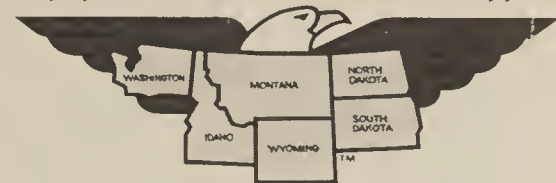
- ☛ Maximize participation and statewide citizen involvement in planning and producing local and regional Centennial activities, including statewide activities for and by school children.
- ☛ Infuse/renew a spirit of unity, cooperation, pride, and accomplishment; share a sense of history, present, and future.
- ☛ Provide superior opportunities for recreation, entertainment, and intellectual and sociocultural achievement.
- ☛ Recognize the hard work and economic activity that have been central to Montana's heritage and development; foster renewed opportunity for continuing economic development.
- ☛ Encourage and support involvement by Montana's Native Americans.
- ☛ Encourage and produce tangible, permanent projects providing a lasting legacy for the state.
- ☛ Educate Montanans about the past, themselves, their government, and the

meaning of statehood.

- ☛ Give special attention to celebrating our history and heritage and taking positive, determined steps toward the future.
- ☛ Maximize positive, aggressive public relations for Montana—image enhancement and expansion—in-state, nationally, and internationally.
- ☛ Emphasize partnership with Centennial vendors, affiliates, and project/event organizers and support official Centennial products.
- ☛ Recognize and emphasize the need for excellence in our educational system at all levels as well as in our personal and working lives.
- ☛ Recognize and support Montana arts and artists to the end that the arts assume a central position in the lives of Montanans and enhance the quality of life in our state.
- ☛ Attract visitors and investment during and after 1989.
- ☛ Coordinate activities and promotion with other centennial states in the region.

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DOCUMENTS WEST

In 1989 and 1990, six states in the Northwest—Montana, Wyoming, North and South Dakota, Washington, and Idaho—will celebrate their 100th anniversaries of statehood.

Since 1985, the states have worked together to use the Northwest Centennial to celebrate a common history as well as each state's individuality. One cooperative effort seeks to bring to all states an exceptional exhibit of original archival material.

"Documents West" is a traveling exhibit documenting America's greatest leap westward. The exhibit includes the Louisiana Purchase, the 1803 agreement in which France deeded to the U.S., for \$15 million, the territory extending west from the Mississippi River to the Rocky Mountains between the borders of Canada and Mexico. Also included are Indian treaties and documents related to the Lewis and Clark expedition. Although they determined the future of the Northwest, some of these documents have never traveled west of the Mississippi.

Complementing the core exhibit will be additional documents significant to each state's history.

"Documents West" would travel to all six centennial states and Oregon, reaching millions of people. One goal of the project is to use the exhibit as an educational tool for students of all ages. A related curricular program will allow the exhibit to reach many classrooms.

Senators from all six states and Oregon have written the states' governors to express their support of the exhibit.

The six states are moving forward with plans for this exhibit, one of the most important educational events in the Northwest Centennial.

Wagons Ho! Bannack to Helena by Prairie Schooner

If you should see old-time wagon train scouts squinting into the distant sagebrush this summer, don't tell yourself you have slipped into a time warp. They really are scouts, assessing the trail for a "dress rehearsal" of the Centennial Wagon Train.

The wagon train is organized by the Montana Draft Horse and Mule Association, a statewide, nonprofit organization with headquarters in Whitehall. It is a separate event from the Roundup-to-Billings cattle drive.

The wagon train will begin in Bannack on June 12, 1989. It will pass through another territorial capital, Virginia City, to arrive in Helena on the Fourth of July. The wagons will carry men, women, and children in settler-style western dress. The equipment and stock they will use will be much the same as that used by Montana pioneers.

The train will follow old wagon roads and county roads. Organizers have found most of the old roads by talking to local old timers and from research at the Montana Historical Society.

In the past two years, scout trains traveled segments of the proposed route. This summer, from June 11 to 20, the route between Willow Creek and Helena will be tried. The runs are smaller in scale than the actual Centennial event.

The 1989 wagon train will include 100 authentic wagons, 500 horses—draft horses, mules, and saddle



Montana Draft Horse & Mule Association

Covered wagons like these will line up in Bannack, where the Centennial Wagon Train begins its trek to Helena (June 12-July 4, 1989).

horses—and 500 people from all over Montana. "This trip is not for the faint of heart," said Marilyn Teague, Association secretary. "All participants will carry their own grub and supplies in their wagons. The route itself is long and arduous, and wagons, horses, and travelers should be in top shape."

Teague said that people and businesses along the route will provide the entertainment. She is expecting square dancers, barbershop quartets, storytellers, fiddlers, and other musicians. The wagons will pass through Bannack, Dillon, Virginia City, Ennis, Norris, Pony, Willow Creek, Three Forks, Boulder, Jeffer-

son City, Clancy, and Montana City.

Anyone with horses and a wagon, food, and grain can join the group and ride all or part of the route, Teague said. A fee of \$35 per wagon will be charged. Single horseriders are welcome as well, at a \$25 charge. No charge will be made for people who just want to ride along for the day.

If you would like to help, or if you have a wagon and team and want to join this unique Centennial event, write or call Leslie Clark, Montana Draft Horse and Mule Association, Route 1, Box 1592, Whitehall 59759 (287-3078). □

Cattle Drive Sponsor Publishes Newsletter

Have you wondered how 10,000 cattle will walk from Roundup to Billings in more or less the same way as they did over a century ago?

The Trail Duster, the newsletter of the Great Montana Centennial Cattle Drive, will tell you how.

The Latigo Corporation, sponsor of the cattle drive, began publishing the monthly newsletter in April. The cattle drive will take place September 4-9, 1989.

The newsletter carries articles of historical interest, advertising, cartoons, poetry, and other features.

For information, write or call The Trail Duster, Box 1209, Red Lodge 59068 (446-3767 or 446-3068).

This newsletter was produced with the assistance of Montana's ten Apple dealers.

CENTENNIAL COMMISSION MEETINGS

Meeting	Sanctioning Application Deadline
May 26-27, Billings	May 6
June 23-24	June 3

For information, call 444-1989

Commission Licenses New Products and Projects

Licenses have been signed for the following official Centennial products, projects, and affiliates:

Helena Area Chamber of Commerce: Montana State Centennial Airshow of Helena, August 1989.

Bear Creek Fisheries and Smoked Products, Libby: Montana-made wild berry jams and jellies.

Bruce Baxter, Missoula: Montana history calendar, with daily historic notations and photographs.

Stan Lynde, Red Lodge: Centennial Cowboy Poster, pen and ink drawings, symbols of state history, and a full color reproduction of "Charlie Russell and His Friends."

K B Products, Twin Bridges: Ruby Valley All-Purpose Salad Dressing, a

sweet and sour blend dressing made of all natural ingredients.

The *Missoulian*: Montana Centennial Trivia Puzzle, color jigsaw puzzle with Montana geography and history.

Red Lodge Area Chamber of Commerce: Beartooth Days, an annual event in Red Lodge. Includes the Beartooth Run, races on the Beartooth Highway. June 24-25, 1989.

McCone County Centennial '89ers: Official Centennial affiliate.

McCone County Centennial '89ers: Town and Country Day in Circle, September 9, 1989. Newspaper series. McCone County Museum projects: monument to livestock growers of eastern Montana; new displays at the museum.

Montana Energy Education Council, Bozeman: Poster contest for children grades 4-6, promoting energy awareness and culminating in a 1989 calendar with work of 13 winning artists. Ceremony planned for October 1988.

Montana Folklife Project, Helena: Publication of *Montana Folk Songbook*, a collection of folk songs from across the state.

Helena Film Society: Renovation of the old Lewis and Clark County jail into a community cultural center.

Bannack State Park/State Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks: Bannack Days, mining and frontier celebration in Montana's first territorial capital. July 16-17, 1988, and July 15-16, 1989. □



Gene Fisher

Larry Brewer of Helena's Capital High School visits with Mae Wiley Walters, Century Citizen.

The Young and Young at Heart

Larry Brewer, a sophomore at Capital High School in Helena, and Mae Wiley Walters, also of Helena, have made a video together. This may not seem extraordinary except that Mrs. Walters is 102 years old and the video went to the "Today" show to invite the cast to Montana to meet Century Citizens in 1989.

The Century Citizens program, funded by the Mountain Bell Foun-

dation of Montana, honors Montanans who will be as old as or older than the state in 1989.

Brewer is one of the first high school students to interview a Century Citizen and write an essay based on that interview for publication by the State Office of Public Instruction. The video was made when he and Mrs. Walters were introduced.

Policy Set for Exclusive Licenses

The Centennial Commission has adopted guidelines for granting exclusive licenses to use the Centennial logo for products, services, projects, and events.

The Commission said that it will consider granting exclusive licenses only when at least one of the following conditions applies:

1) The Commission and Centennial Office concur "that the applicant requesting exclusivity is guaranteeing, in exchange for that exclusivity, to produce a project or event that the Commission has identified as a Centennial priority goal, or that otherwise contributes obviously and significantly to the Centennial Commission's overall objectives."

2) "The Office and Commission agree that the marketplace cannot bear more than one of a given type of product, service, project, or event," with the burden of proof on the applicant.

The Commission said that, in general, it is disinclined to grant exclusive licenses unless there is a convincing argument that granting one "will result in significant benefit to the people of Montana and their Centennial celebration."

Territorial Elections Lay Foundation for Early State Politics

by Richard Roeder

ELECTIONS FOR territorial delegates, the only ones held territory-wide, tell much about the political make-up of early Montana.

Partisan alignments were determined partly by people's regional origins and ethnic affinities. The Democratic and Republican parties initially reflected two parallel lines of migration into Montana. The entrepôt of the Democrats was St. Joseph, Missouri, while Republicans tended to arrive by way of Minnesota's twin cities. The two main blocks of the early Democratic majority were the Irish, who made up a large portion of the work force in the metals industry, and whose hero would be Marcus Daly, and the Missourians led by C. A. Broadwater, brothers E. Warren and Joseph K. Toole, Samuel Hauser, and others. The core of the Republican Party came from the upper Midwest by way of upstate New York. Republicans tended to divide into moderates and "Radicals" over the degree of emotion they retained from issues arising from the Civil War and Reconstruction.

Delegate elections, especially those of 1871 and 1888, reveal continuity and change in territorial politics. The dominant early Democratic blocks easily won the first three elections, but 1871 was a different story. For reasons which are not en-

tirely clear, the Missouri faction chose to dump James Cavanaugh when he decided to seek a third term. The ostensible reasons were his abuse of his mail franking privileges and his lack of vigor in seeking federal payments for merchant claims arising from an Indian scare in 1867. The Missourians succeeded in blocking Cavanaugh and nominated E. Warren Toole.

The election showed that the Democratic allegiance of the Irish, by now a disciplined voting block, was not automatic. Although Cavanaugh was one of their own and a great favorite, they voted overwhelmingly against Toole and for Republican William Clagett, making the latter a certain winner. Correspondence of political workers also indicates the existence of another ethnic voting block, albeit smaller than the Irish, with the French in western Montana.

The winning combination of Irish and Missourians resurfaced in 1873 with the nomination of another Irishman, Martin Maginnis, who served a record-setting six terms. Joseph Toole, a very popular personality, was able to hold the coalition together with victories in 1884 and 1886.

The 1888 election may have been the most important campaign of territorial days. The late historian K. Ross Toole pointed to this contest as the source of the feud between Daly and William

A. Clark, which eventually affected the location of the state capital and Clark's senatorial aspirations. Toole argued that, for business reasons, Daly supported Clark's Republican opponent, Thomas Carter, and directed his foremen to vote the men accordingly. Historian David Emmons has recently challenged Toole's explanation, saying that the feud may have surfaced in 1888 but for different reasons. For one, Emmons says, the Irish had sufficient reasons for disliking Clark and did not need Daly to herd

them to the polls to vote against him. This point is reinforced by the Irish vote of 1871.

Furthermore, Carter's victory was hardly surprising to contemporaries. The arrival of railroads brought in a new, Republican voting population. Indeed, Republicans claimed that Maginnis and the Democrats were able to hang on in several earlier elections only with large expenditures by Broadwater and Hauser, general Missouri corruption, and the block voting by workers possible before the introduc-

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The election in 1888 of Thomas Carter (right) as territorial delegate was a significant one. The arrival of the railroads in the 1880s brought a new voting population and, as seen in the photo below, a fleeting contrast between what had been and what was to come.



Montana Historical Society

Six Communities Join Up as Official Centennial Affiliates

Roundup, Helena, Harlowton, Missoula, and Garfield and McCone counties have joined seven other Montana communities as official Centennial affiliates. State Centennial Commissioners and staff extend them a warm welcome.

Montana's Centennial Roundup '89ers will help with local planning for the Centennial Cattle Drive, which begins in Roundup on September 4. The group also hopes to make Highway 12 a "Centennial route" between Aberdeen, Washington, and Aberdeen, South Dakota, as part of the six-state Northwest Centennial in 1989-90. Roundup is halfway between the Aberdeens.

The McCone County Centennial '89ers have begun their planning by making Town and Country Day, in Circle on September 9, 1989, an official Centennial event with a Montana birthday flavor. The affiliate is working with the Mc-

Centennial Fever spreads to Harlowton, Helena, Missoula, Roundup, McCone and Garfield counties

Cone County Museum on several special projects.

Helena's affiliate, the Capital City '89ers, has tentatively planned a parade, a display of documents detailing Montana's journey to statehood, an Independence Day celebration coordinated with the arrival of the Centennial Wagon Train from Bannack (see page 4), and other events. A lasting legacy project will be determined under the affiliate's Century II program. Helena also hopes to be the focus of activities on November 8, 1989.

The Harlowton Chamber of Commerce Centennial Committee will promote the annual rodeo, July 3-4, 1989, with a Centennial flavor, and will run a "Centennial Corner" in the *Times Clarion*. The

group is planning other events to celebrate its western heritage.

In Jordan, the Garfield County Centennial Club plans an old car race, a parade, a gathering of cowboy poets, a July 4th

celebration, and other countywide activities.

The Missoula Centennial Committee is coordinating a variety of activities to promote this lively western Montana community.

For information on how to become an official community affiliate, write or call the Centennial Office, PO Box 1989, Capitol Station, Helena 59620 (444-1989). □

Guides to Oral History, Publications, Exhibits, and Other Local History Projects

Technical assistance is now available to groups planning a Centennial project involving oral history, exhibits, the publication of family or community history, or historic building preservation.

With the permission of the Montana Historical Society, the Centennial Office has reprinted "Sights on the Centennial," practical guidance for lasting legacy projects. The series was originally

published in the *Montana Post*, the Society's newsletter, from 1983 to 1985.

The reprints include:

- ☞ *Historic Preservation and Local History Projects*
- ☞ *Planning and Creating Local Museum Exhibits*
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Territorial Politics, continued

tion of the Australian ballot in 1889. This new Republican strength is demonstrated by the fact that in the first state elections Republicans won all the statewide offices except governor, where the popular "Honest Joe" Toole beat Thomas Power.

In 1888, other factors favored the Republicans, who were able to make President Grover Cleveland and the Democrats seem antibusiness. The

President's policies on cutting trees on public land threatened Montana's mines, mills, and smelters, which consumed vast quantities of timber. His tariff policy frightened Montana's wool and lead interests, and he was not supportive of silver. The Irish were also unhappy when Cleveland failed to appoint Maginnis when Hauser resigned as governor, and when the Presi-

dent violated his campaign pledge by appointing another "carpetbagger," Kentuckian Preston Leslie, instead.

Finally, in Carter the Republicans had a candidate whose political career was clearly on the rise. Carter had solid pioneer connections and was a prominent Catholic layman. He focused his shrewd campaign on Cleveland's threats to Montana's economy, end-

ing his speeches by saying that Cleveland's tariff policies were pro-British and the very ones used to drive Carter's parents out of the Irish homeland they so dearly loved.

By the end of territorial days the Republicans had achieved parity with the Democrats to establish the close political balance which ever since has marked Montana as a bellwether state in national elections. □

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